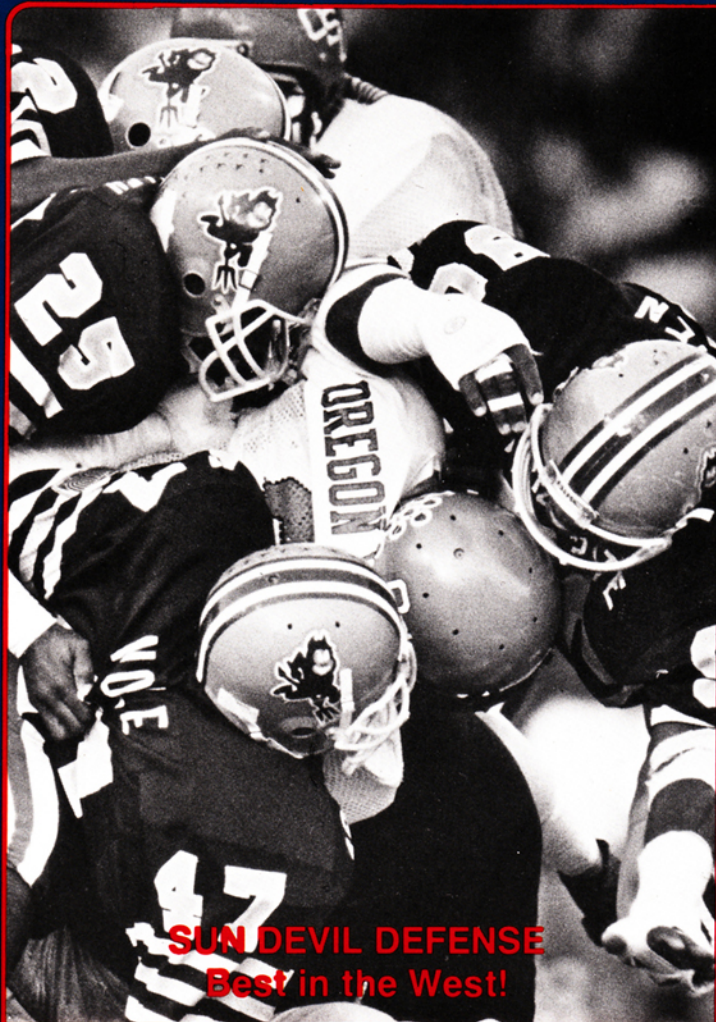


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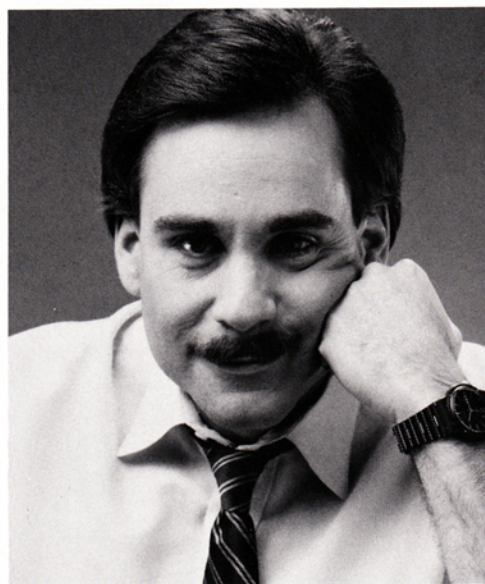
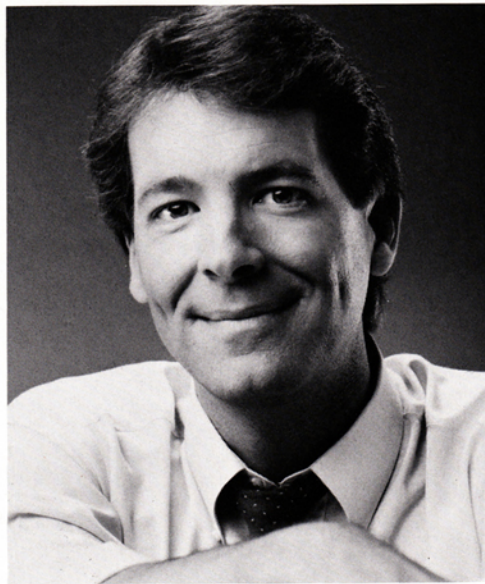
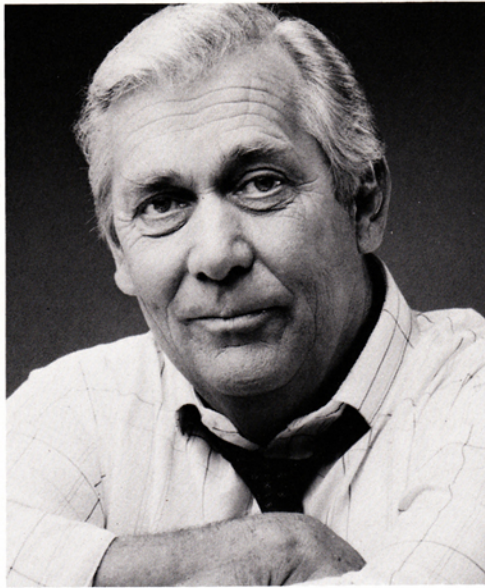
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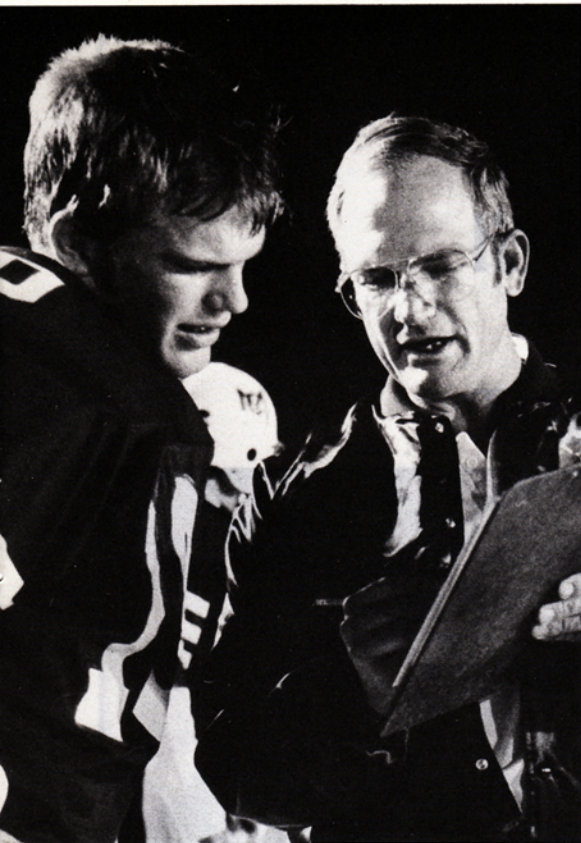
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This Rosebud's For You

Bob Jacobsen

The question was simple enough: What does the Rose Bowl mean to you? So, too, was the answer: National recognition and acceptance in the Pac-10.

But it goes much deeper, as deep as 32 years ago, when the Arizona State football program really began. I know, you're going to tell me Fred Irish lost, 38-20 to the Phoenix Indian School in 1897. I'm going to tell you no matter. When Clyde Smith hired Dan Devine from Michigan State in 1955 to coach the Sun Devils, this program planted the roots that were to pay off in a Rose Bowl win on January 1, 1987.

This rosebud is for you, Smitty. And this one's for you, Dan. When Devine left after the 1957 season (after compiling a 27-3-1 record) for Missouri, Smitty made another excellent move by elevating young assistant Frank Kush. And for the next 21 1/2 years, Kush put the program squarely on the national collegiate football map. This rosebud is for you, Frank.

His early years produced such stars as running backs Charlie Taylor, Tony Loric, Gene Foster and Larry Todd, all of whom went on to professional football. These rosebuds are for you, guys.

Then along came 1968, when the University of Arizona issued its infamous challenge to the Sun Bowl: "Take us now or don't take us at all." The Sun Bowl wilted, took the 'Cats, only to have the 'Cats taken by ASU, 30-6. This rosebud is for you, Art Malone. And for you, Ron Pritchard. You guys starred in that game.

In 1970, Kush and his band of Devils went undefeated, finishing an 11-0 season with a 48-26 pounding of North Carolina in the Peach Bowl.

This rosebud is for you, QB Spaghetti Joe Spagnola. Then came three years of Western Athletic Conference and Fiesta Bowl prominence. I might add possibly the three greatest successive years ASU has ever had. This rosebud is for you, Danny White. And for you Woody Green. And you, too, Benny Malone.

In 1975, Arizona State played its most important two games to date, a 24-21 victory over Arizona to win the WAC, and the 17-14 triumph over Nebraska in the Fiesta Bowl to cap a 12-0 season.



This rosebud is for you, John Jefferson. You, too, Danny Kush. And Dennis Sprout, Fred Mortensen and Larry Gordon. The move to the Pac-10 occurred for the 1978 season. For both Arizona State and Arizona, UA president John P. Schaefer was an instrumental figure. He, in fact, practically dragged ASU along with Arizona. This rosebud is for you, John.

After the 1979 scandal, and a mediocre season in 1980, the Devils, behind Mike Pagael, Robert Weathers and Gerald Riggs, finished 9-2 in 1981. But losses to Washington State and UCLA ended any Rose hopes. This rosebud is for you, Mike Pagael. And you Gerald Riggs. And you, too, Robert Weathers.

Arizona State's first real shot at the roses came in 1982. But final regular-season losses to Washington and Arizona dampened a 10-2 season. This rosebud is for you, Darryl Rogers. And you Vernon Maxwell. And you, too, Mike Richardson. In early 1985, Rogers, after many denials, left ASU for the Detroit Lions. Then-athletic director Dick Tamburo, undaunted by the search for a "big" name, chose instead John Cooper from Tulsa University to lead the ASU football program. This rosebud is for you, Dick.

When Tamburo was relieved of his duties, ASU president Dr. J. Russell

Nelson hired a 34-year-old from the University of Pennsylvania, Charles Harris, for the job. This rosebud is for you, Russ. And you Charles. And when ASU nailed California, 49-0 to clinch its first spot in the nation's most prestigious bowl game, UA coach Larry Smith sent Cooper a telegram congratulating the Devils on becoming the first Arizona team to reach Pasadena. This rosebud is for you, Larry.

And finally, after all the near misses, one man was instrumental in ASU finally reaching college football's promised land. This rosebud is for you, John Cooper.

For an Arizona State alum who graduated too many years ago to remember, reaching the Rose Bowl is the epitome of success in the football classroom. It is the ultimate graduate course for a degree in football. It is *summa cum laude*.

It is, of course, all of these things. And yet, none of them. What it really is is a tribute to the past 32 years of Sun Devil football. In this daze of wine and roses (and aren't we still a little stunned that this Arizona State team went to the Rose Bowl?), we have a tendency to forget that the program wasn't built overnight.

Bob Jacobsen is the Sports Editor of the Arizona Republic.



Tough Act To Follow

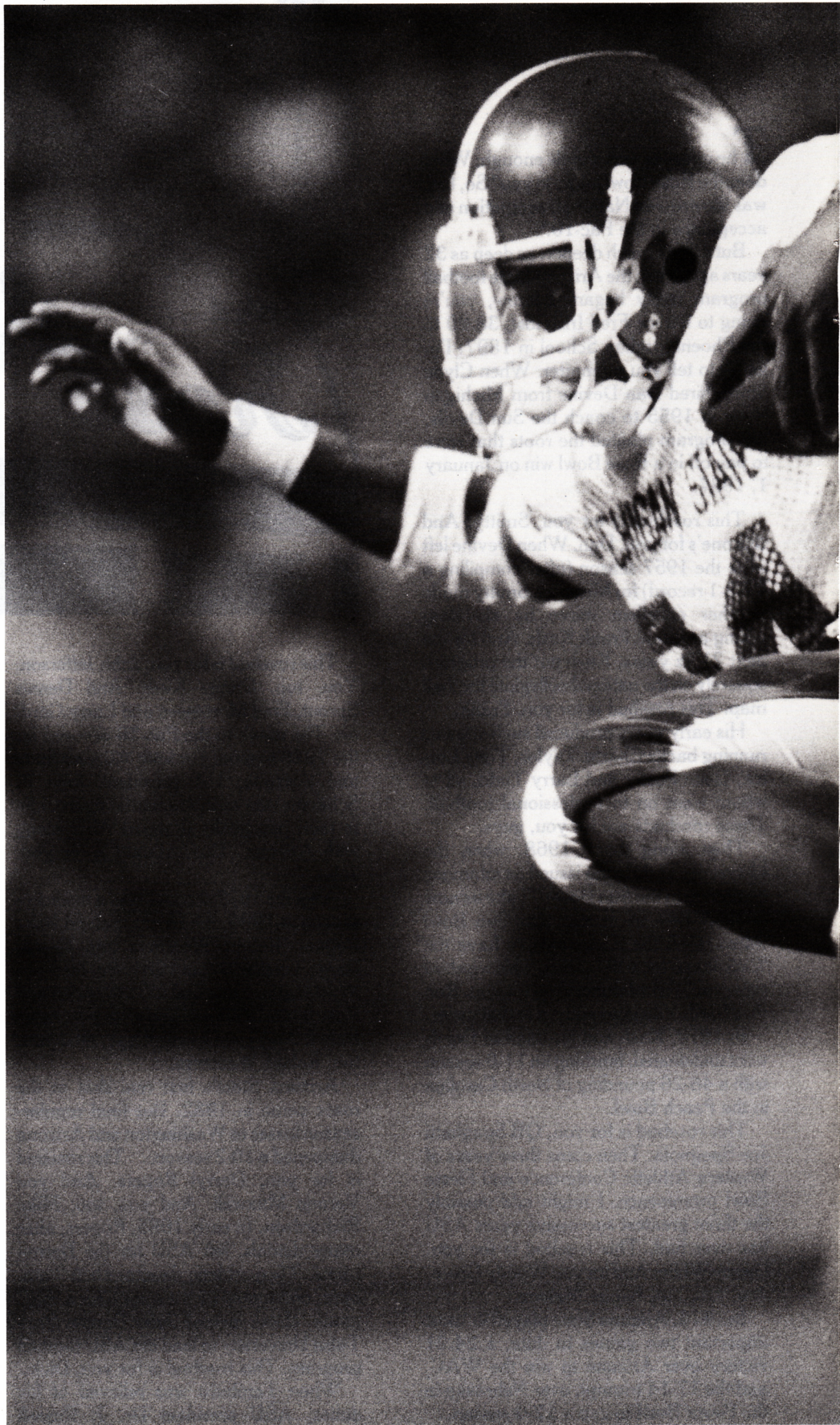
What a price we pay for success. Now the Pac-10 guns will be aimed at the Sun Devils. Unlike a year ago, when it was UCLA on the hot seat, Arizona State is the team to beat. The 1986 season actually ended in 1987, on January 1 to be exact, when the Sun Devils rallied to beat favored Michigan, 22-15 before 103,168 fans in Pasadena's famed Rose Bowl.

Yes, it's going to be a tough act to follow. "We lost a lot of good players," warns Cooper, 18-5-1 as a Devil. We've got a lot of newcomers who have to grow up in a hurry. But I'm pleased with our players and the effort they gave us in the spring. How good are we right now? It's difficult to tell."

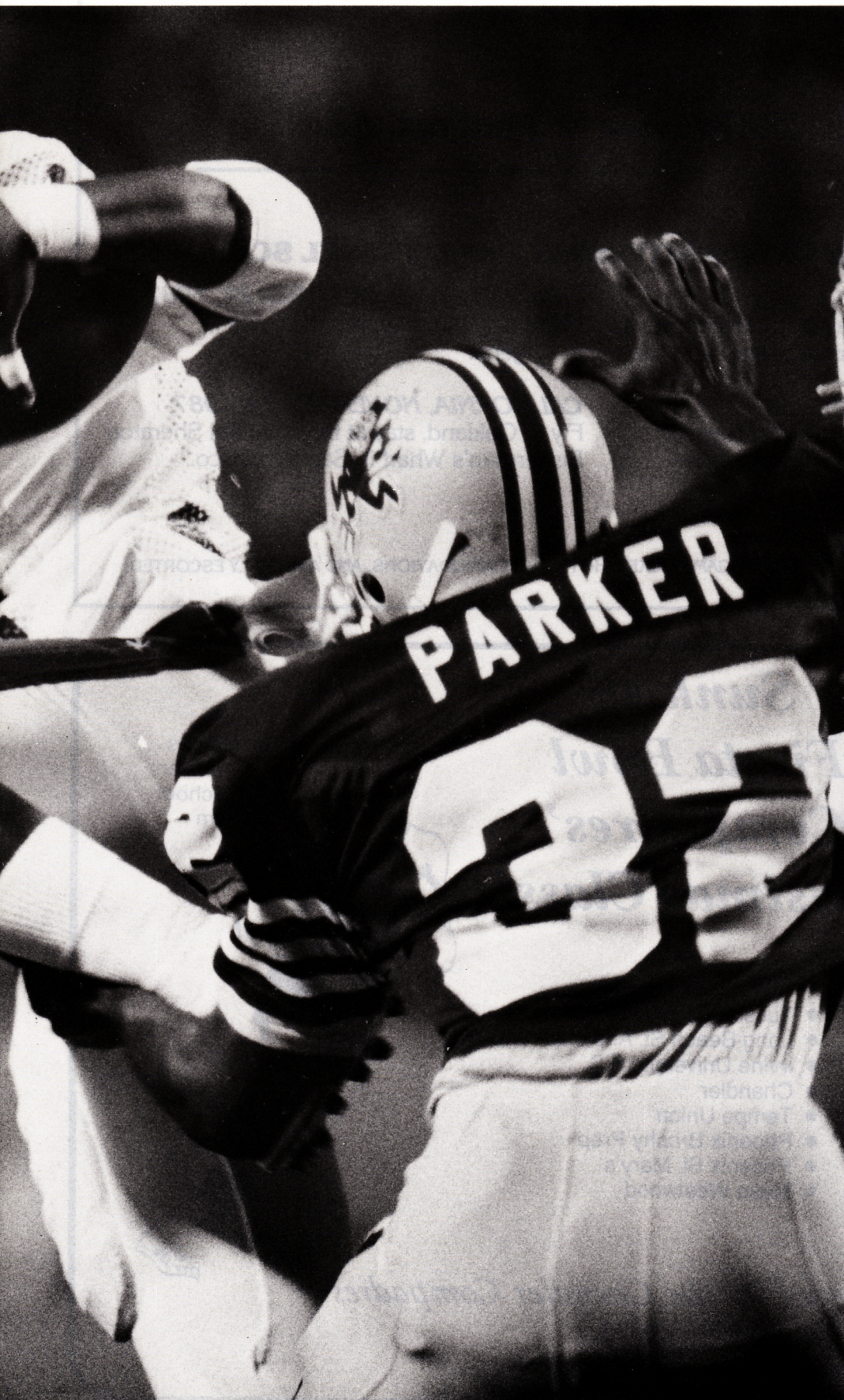
If the key to success runs through the quarterback's room, the Devils might be in trouble early in the campaign. Not that the talent isn't there. It's the experience that bothers the coaching staff.

"If we had to play right now, we'd go with Daniel Ford," adds Cooper. "Or maybe John Walker if he's healthy. I want to go with a veteran. John has done everything but throw because of his elbow problems. I like John from the standpoint of leadership, knowledge of the game, knowledge of the offense and knowing what we expect."

Young Paul Justin (6-4,186) and Kent Kiefer (6-0,177) are waiting in the wings. At the running back slots, the questions are easily answered. Fullback Channing Williams (5-10,216) and tailback Darryl Harris (6-0,181) are the answers. They



For Cooper's Devils



(Charles Conley)

Top: 'Coop gets ride after Rose Bowl win over Michigan. Left: Michigan State's Lorenzo White is tripped by Anthony Parker and Greg Clark in '86 opener, a 20-17 Sun Devil win.

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The Devils are loaded at receivers, with SE Aaron Cox (5-10,175) one of the best in the West. Chris Garrett, Tony Johnson, Roy Hurd, Jeff Johnson and Ryan McReynolds are ready to go. Johnson, a freshman from Phoenix Camelback, and McReynolds are tight ends.

The first player to touch the ball on each play will be junior Steve Spurling (6-3,2154), a product of Scottsdale's Horizon High. He'll be flanked by two of the better guards in the Pac-10, seniors Randall McDaniel (6-5,261) and Todd Kalis (6-6,267). McDaniel, a product of Agua Fria High in Avondale, is a potential first-round draft pick. He's one of the strongest players in college football.

There's nothing wrong with Arizona State's tackles, either. Fedel Underwood (6-4,299), Richard Bear (6-5,252), Scott Kirby (6-5,276) and Michael Simmons (6-6,300) have size, strength and experience.

McDaniel isn't the only iron man in the Devils' weight room. Nose guard Richard Davis (6-1,286), a transfer from the University of Oklahoma, can compete with anybody. He's sandwiched between the likes of Shawn Patterson (6-5,257) and Trace Armstrong (6-5,250), two of the Pac-10's best defenders. In fact, the Devils' strength on defense will be their down people, which also includes Rick Zumwalt, Pat Taylor, Tony Sherman, Bob Frenkel and Mark Duckens, to name a few.

The linebacker corps includes Greg Clark, Mark Tingstad, Stacy Harvey, Drew Metcalf, Terence Johnson and Kerry McDaniel, brother of Randall. The secondary will be one of the quickest in the conference, with senior Anthony Parker, the nation's leader in punt returns, and Jeff Joseph at the right corner, Eric Allen and Joseph on the right. Bernard Jones and Jeff Mahlstede will play a lot at free safety, while Robby Boyd and Brett Johnson are the rover backs.

The kicking game is again sound with junior Mike Schuh, the Pac-10 leader as a frosh, and junior PK Kent Bostrom. The problem the Devils must solve is finding somebody to kickoff after each touchdown, or start of the game.

"I expect our fans this season to be a very important part of whatever success we have," concludes Cooper, 75-36-1 overall, for a .677 winning percentage. "Just like they did in the Rose Bowl game. Coming off the year we had, with Nebraska, UCLA and Arizona coming in here, we shouldn't have an empty seat in the Devil House."

The Devil House should be full every game.



(Charles Conley)

Future pro picks: DB Anthony Parker from Tempe McClintock; OG Randall McDaniel from Avondale Agua Fria.

DEVIL NEWCOMERS High School

Position/Name	Hometown/School
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RB..Leonard Russell, 6-2, 210	Long Beach Poly, CA
RB..Kelvin Fisher, 6-0, 185	Ambridge, PA
RB..Keith Bowen, 6-1, 210	Los Angeles Westchester, CA
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OL..Tim Kirby, 6-6, 270	Pinellas Park, FL
OL..Jeff White, 6-4, 255	St. John Lake Central, IN
OL..Don Cleek, 6-5, 260	Tulare Western, CA
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LB..Eric Berry, 6-4, 225	Colorado Springs Sierra, CO
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DL..Bill Doverspike, 6-4, 250	Pittsburgh North Hills, PA
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DB..Nathan LaDuke, 6-0, 186	Phoenix Alhambra, AZ
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DB..David Jones, 6-3, 205	Ambridge, PA
DB..Jim Watkins, 6-1, 185	Olathe North, KS

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OL..Scott Veach, 6-5, 255	Phoenix, AZ
DB..Jeff Mahlstede, 6-3, 195	Fullerton, CA



(Larry McGrain)

"We go that-away," signals David Given (46), as Bob Carl (60) and Joe Peters (72) react to USC fumble. Charles White (12) and Paul McDonald (16) let it get away.

"We Never Beat a Better Team!"

It was Saturday night, October 15, 1978, and The House That Frank Built was rocking. Southern Cal, No. 2-ranked in the land, rode into town with a 270-piece marching band and 3,000 fans to watch a mismatch.

"Coach Frank Kush's Sun Devils brought a Trojan horse — not Traveller the Trojan horse — but a hard running nag named Upset," wrote Dave Spriggs of the *Arizona Republic*. "Outlined against a blue-black Arizona sky that night, the Four Horsemen rode again, not as Stuhldreher, Miller, Crowley and Layden, but as Malone, Harris, Momentum and Pandemonium."

They ganged up on mighty USC, before a record crowd of 71,138, and sent the Trojans reeling back to Los Angeles with nothing left but a thousand years of tradition and a shocking 20-7 loss.

This was the first Pac-10 football game ever played in Sun Devil Stadium. This was also the real Southern California Trojans, a la Charles White, Paul McDonald, Lynn Cain, Brad Budde,

Chip Banks and young Marcus Allen.

They were the eventual national champs. Coached by John Robinson, they had recently blasted Bear Bryant's Crimson Tide, 24-14 on national TV, down in Alabama. They went on to beat Michigan 17-10 in the Rose Bowl, finished 12-1 on the season, and No. 1 in the land in the final UPI poll. Ironically, the AP winner was Alabama. Never before had the AP been so wrong. Not only was this USC team a real powerhouse, but they beat Alabama in 'Bama! And it wasn't as close as the score. But Southern Cal lost to Arizona State.

"We never beat a better team," insisted Sun Devil linebacker Ben Apuna after the game. It was an understatement. Twenty-two of the Trojans' 22 starting positions were eventual NFL draft picks, and all 22 made it. Coach Robinson's lineup went on to produce two Heisman winners, Charles White and Marcus Allen, one Lombardi winner, Brad Budde, and nine All-Americans: White, Allen, Budde, Pat Howell, Dennis Johnson, Paul McDonald, Ronnie Lott, Keith Van Horne and Chip

Banks.

Arizona State countered with names like Joe Peters, Bob Kohrs, Jeff McIntyre, Norris Williams and Marshall Edwards, not exactly house-hold names in American collegiate football. But the Devils had a few more aces up their sleeve in the form of Mark Malone, John Mistler, Chris DeFrance, Al Harris and Kim Anderson, to name a few.

In the early going, it was the Devils' defense hanging tough with a game plan that called for defensive end Al Harris (6-5, 240) to lineup against tight end James Hunter (6-4, 225) to stall the Trojans' vaunted student-body-sweeps until help could come.

But it was the first five plays which set the tone:

1) Southern Cal got a break on the opening kickoff when ASU frosh Alvin Moore, a prep All-American from Coolidge who had scored 36 touchdowns the year before, was stripped of the ball and USC recovered on the Devils' 16-yard line.

2) On first down, junior Charles White

gained just two yards off left tackle. Ben Apuna, Joe Peters and Robert Allison stopped him.

3) On second down QB Paul McDonald rolled to his left and almost hit Kevin "Bugs" Williams with a touchdown pass in the far corner of the northwest end zone. But the ball slipped through Williams' hands.

4) On third down White swept right with USC's vaunted toss-sweep, but was swarmed for a five yard loss by everybody. This brought fourth down and FG range and the key play of the game.

5) With first-unit center Chris Foote, later of the Baltimore Colts, back in Los Angeles with an injury, a bad snap ruined the Trojans' bid for three points. In fact, the ball was snapped so hard ASU recovered it on the 35 yard line.

... the Sun Devils finished 9-3 in the WAC ... 9-3 in the Pac-10 ...

With momentum, the greatest of all football players wearing a Devil uniform, the crowd suited up as Pandemonium to give ASU a 13-man attack. The stadium has seen nothing like it since, except for maybe a Rolling Stone concert.

After the defense reduced the USC offense to a start-stumble-stagger-fumble attack, QB Mark Malone became the Lone Horseman as he rambled through Southern Cal's confused defense. He completed 14 of 22 passes for 167 yards, including a 16-yard scoring strike to John Mistler.

Arizona State dominated play with a possession time of almost 34 minutes. USC controlled the ball only 26 minutes. Defensive back Kim Anderson picked off two McDonald passes. Defensive end Bob Kohrs recovered three fumbles on faulty exchanges. And Charles White, who looked like an all-pro two weeks earlier against Alabama, was held to 59 yards on 18 carries, his lowest of the season.

"I don't know if you could say we wanted it more than Southern Cal, but we probably had more to gain than they did," said Frank Kush, following his last great victory as a Sun Devil. "They certainly didn't come over here and lie down."

"They deserved it," added John Robinson, now the head coach of the Los Angeles Rams. "They're a good football team, and they caught us on one of our worst performances. We had problems with our centers, but that wasn't the whole story. They just beat us and that was



October 14, 1978 Southern Cal vs Arizona State

Offense

Position/Player/Size/Class	Pro Club
QB..Paul McDonald, 6-2, 180, junior	Cleveland Browns
TB..Charles White, 5-11, 183, junior	Cleveland Browns
FB..Lynn Cain, 6-1, 205, senior	Atlanta Falcons
FL..Kevin "Bugs" Williams, 5-8, 155, sophomore	New Orleans Saints
TE..James Hunter, 6-4, 225, sophomore	Pittsburgh Steelers
SE..Calvin Sweeney, 6-2, 184, senior	Pittsburgh Steelers
OT..Keith Van Horne, 6-7, 250, sophomore	Chicago Bears
OT..Anthony Munoz, 6-7, 280, junior	Cincinnati Bengals
OG..Pat Howell, 6-6, 255, senior	Atlanta Falcons
OG..Brad Budde, 6-5, 253, junior	Kansas City Chiefs
OC..*Chris Foote, 6-4, 240, junior	Baltimore Colts

Defense

DB..Ron Lott, 6-2, 200, sophomore	San Francisco 49ers
DB..Dennis Smith, 6-3, 200, sophomore	Denver Broncos
DB..Larry Braziel, 5-11, 188, senior	Baltimore Colts
DB..Carter Hartwig, 6-0, 205, senior	Houston Oilers
DL..Myron Lapka, 6-4, 245, junior	New York Giants
DL..Rich Dimler, 6-6, 255, senior	Washington Redskins
DL..Ty Sperling, 6-1, 225, sophomore	San Diego Chargers
LB..Garry Cobb, 6-2, 215, senior	Detroit Lions
LB..Riki Gray, 6-2, 220, freshman	San Francisco 49ers
LB..Dennis Johnson, 6-4, 230, junior	Minnesota Vikings
LB..Chip Banks, 6-5, 230, freshman	Cleveland Browns

**hurt/missed game*

that."

Southern Cal avoided a shutout with 33 seconds left when McDonald connected with Dan Garcia on a 31-yard scoring play when ASU's David Given missed a head-tackle at the 15. USC had not been blanked since a 3-0 loss to Oregon State in 1967. They kept their streak alive at 123 games with that last gasp effort.

Malone, the junior quarterback who is now with the Pittsburgh Steelers, ran for 138 yards on 19 carries, including an 83-yard scamper in the third quarter. He scored on a one-yard run in the second quarter. The Devils' other scores came on two field goals by Steve Hicks, and Malone's pass to Mistler.

"We played Harris against their tight end," added Larry Kentera, Kush's defensive coordinator and now the head coach at Northern Arizona. "We had no choice. It was a case of putting our best man against the key man in their blocking schemes. We gave our cornerbacks the outside-contain responsibilities and told Harris to beat Hunter on the line of

scrimmage and create a traffic jam in their running lanes."

It was both Arizona State and the University of Arizona's first season in the "big leagues" after years in the Border Conference and Western Athletic Conference. Ironically, Arizona, coached by Tony Mason, lost to California that night in a Pac-10 game in Tucson, 33-20.

So strong was the football program under Frank Kush that the Sun Devils finished 9-3 in their last year in the WAC, 1977, and 9-3 in their first year in the Pac-10. And beat the national champs in the process.

USC licked their wounds and took it out on poor Oregon State the following week, 38-7. ASU had a week off to "beat the recruiting bushes" before an October 28 game in Seattle against Washington. It became a more historical date for Sun Devil fans than October 14.

It was during the Washington game, a 41-7 Sun Devil beating, that Kush was accused of striking punter Kevin Rutledge. The rest is history.



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Peoria game-breaker Eric Guliford.

This is Phoenix Metro Football's checklist of outstanding varsity players for the 1987 prep football season ...

QB..Darrell Bevell, Chaparral, 6-1, 175
 QB..Tucker Smith, McClintock, 6-2, 190
 RB..Kevin Galbreath, Maryvale, 6-0, 178
 RB..Kevin Miniefield, Camelback, 5-11, 165
 RB..Kevin Greene, Trevor Browne, 5-10, 175
 RB..T.C. Wright, Dobson, 5-9, 180
 RB..Eric Salter, Mesa, 6-0, 180
 WR..Todd Houck, Tempe, 6-0, 175
 WR..Eric Guliford, Peoria, 5-9, 160
 TE..Steve Good, Peoria, 6-5, 215
 OC..John Croteau, Moon Valley, 6-0, 200
 OG..Mike Hooper, Apollo, 6-4, 260
 OT..Dave Schlagel, Mountain View, 6-4, 215
 DL..Brian Hooks, Marcos de Niza, 6-4, 230
 LB..Neil Begalman, Saguaro, 5-11, 200
 LB..Dusty Weiland, Peoria, 6-2, 220
 LB..Kevin Cary, Alhambra, 6-2, 215
 LB..Jeramiah Clark, Mesa, 6-4, 215
 LB..Billy Bell, Trevor Browne, 5-11, 202
 DB..Tyrone Byrd, Chandler, 6-0, 170
 DB..Marcus Glover, South Mountain, 6-0, 185
 DB..Bobby Moore, Cactus, 6-1, 190
 DB..Phillip Echeverria, Buckeye, 6-2, 180
 P..Charles Hrabowy, Tolleson, 5-10, 155

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quarterbacks

Dave Robson, Tempe, 5-11, 180
Darrell Bevell, Chaparral, 6-1, 175
Tucker Smith, McClintock, 6-2, 190
Sam McIntyre, Moon Valley, 5-9, 165
Trevor Cavanaugh, Mtn. View, 6-0, 170
Lincoln Holcomb, Agua Fria, 6-5, 198
William Babb, Peoria, 6-1, 170
Bill Paynter, Coronado, 6-1, 170
Tony Werstler, Saguaro, 6-2, 175
Larry Works, Carl Hayden, 5-7, 150
Barry Julian, MDN, 6-2, 180
Mike Cooper, Westwood, 5-9, 170



running backs

Rick Dale, Trevor Browne, 5-11, 175
Kevin Galbreath, Maryvale, 6-0, 178
Sean Reeder, Cactus Shadows, 5-9, 162 (jr)
Kevin Miniefield, Camelback, 5-11, 165
Kevin Greene, Trevor Browne, 5-10, 175
T.C. Wright, Dobson, 5-9, 180
Eric Salter, Mesa, 6-0, 180
Devon Robinson, South, 6-1, 205 (jr)
Bob Green, Moon Valley, 5-9, 205 (jr)
Kevin Ford, Arcadia, 5-7, 160
Jim Pittenger, Chaparral, 5-10, 195
Clay Morris, Gilbert, 5-10, 180
Adam Porter, Sunnyslope, 6-0, 175
David Przybyszewski, AJ, 6-1, 205
Robbie Clemens, McClintock, 5-8, 165
Daryle Donahue, Tolleson, 6-0, 180
Roger Brown, Brophy Prep, 6-2, 205
Terry Thornton, Westwood, 6-0, 185
Keith Giboney, SC, 5-9, 150



linemen

Brian Hooks, Marcos de Niza, 6-4, 230
Jason Carpenter, Buckeye, 5-10, 190
Kevin Van Horn, Cactus Shad, 6-2, 245
Arvid Veidmark, PC, 6-3, 220
Paul Hoyt, NWCC, 6-0, 195 (jr)
Jason Davenport, W. Christian, 6-1, 255
Kaiser Hagopian, PV, 6-2, 230
Brad Ritch, Glendale, 6-1, 210
John Stair, PC, 5-11, 205

Eric Sarraillon, Arcadia 5-9, 170
Rod DeRoma, Chaparral, 6-0, 195
Tim Hergenrader, Saguaro, 6-3, 215
Kevin Bacchus, Thunderbird, 6-1, 240
Lamar Whitehurst, Gilbert, 5-10, 225
Chris Cowart, Gilbert, 6-1, 225
Ken Graves, Gilbert, 6-2, 195
Tyrone Gibson, South, 6-2, 235
Darrell Reagan, South, 6-4, 200
Eric Zimmerman, CDS, 6-3, 195
Dave Schlagel, Mtn. View, 6-4, 215
Mike Hooper, Apollo, 6-4, 260
Robert Jones, Mesa, 6-1, 270
Charlie Price, Trevor Browne, 6-3, 220
Scott Peterson, Peoria, 6-5, 220
Matt Billingsley, Tempe, 6-0, 215
Jason Fox, Greenway, 6-2, 195
Ty Parten, Horizon, 6-3, 195
Steve Holmes, Dobson, 6-3, 215
Craig Brock, McClintock, 6-2, 230
Jerry Rojas, St. Mary's, 6-1, 215
Kevin Cary, Alhambra, 6-3, 220
Stu Kempainen, Cactus, 6-2, 253
Kevin Goyer, Moon Valley, 6-1, 180
Mike Hunderford, Moon Valley, 6-1, 220 (jr)
Monti Leijia, Independence, 6-2, 230
Rex Harmon, Central, 6-0, 220



centers

Bill Lonon, Buckeye, 6-2, 210
John Croteau, Moon Valley, 6-0, 200
Brian Corte, Coronado, 6-0, 185
Aaron Felding, Cactus, 6-0, 187



linebackers

Steve Rogers, Agua Fria, 6-1, 186
Neil Begalman, Saguaro, 5-11, 200
Dusty Weiland, Peoria, 6-2, 210
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Billy Bell, Trevor Browne, 5-11, 202
Cory Powell, Chandler, 6-2, 205
Garrett Karstens, Central, 6-1, 210
Tony Pelopida, PV, 5-10, 195
Corbet Clack, NWCC, 5-10, 160
Greg Johnson, Saguaro, 5-9, 185
Tom Walden, Coronado, 5-11, 180
Terry Matlock, Cortez, 6-2, 195
Ed Breunig, CDS, 5-11, 185
Mike Phair, Mtn. View, 6-1, 180
Jeff Smith, W. Christian, 5-8, 188

Travis Bix, Apollo, 6-0, 185
Shawn Griffen, Mesa, 6-2, 180
Cory Powell, Chandler, 6-2, 215
Lawrence Miniefield, Brophy, 5-11, 200
Sean Stapley, Westwood, 5-10, 195
Bryan Stevens, Camelback, 6-4, 185
Carlton Robinson, Indep., 6-1, 200



receivers

Steve Good, Peoria, 6-5, 210
Todd Houck, Tempe, 6-0, 175
Eric Guliford, Peoria, 5-9, 160
David Lofton, Buckeye, 6-5, 195
Steve Holmes, Dobson, 6-4, 205
Mike Scialo, Saguaro, 6-0, 170
Tim Killeen, Chaparral, 5-11, 190
Scott Mettham, Chaparral, 5-11, 170 (jr)
Orlando McKay, Mesa, 5-11, 180
Dan Davey, Trevor Browne, 6-3, 190
Phillip Washington, Maryvale, 6-5, 200
Scott Kordsoz, McClintock, 5-10, 160 (jr)
Rich Wellbrock, Brophy, 5-11, 170



defensive backs

Phillip Echeverra, Buckeye, 6-2, 180
Tyrone Byrd, Chandler, 6-0, 170
Jason Phillips, Mtn. View, 6-0, 180
Russell Mortenson, Camelback, 5-9, 175
Marcus Glover, South, 6-0, 185
Adam Talbot, Coronado, 5-10, 165
Scott Bowman, Cortez, 6-1, 165
Joel Werring, Sunnyslope, 6-0, 170
Seyon Albert, South, 6-0, 190 (jr)
Lance Bauer, Apollo, 6-0, 165
Brian Cross, NWCC, 5-6, 150
Ervin Cutright, Peoria, 6-0, 175
Josh Arnold, Dobson, 5-11, 185
Bart James, McClintock, 6-0, 190
Ernie Salazar, PV, 5-11, 162
Larry Marmie, CDS, 5-10, 195
Bobby Moore, Cactus, 6-0, 190
Mark Brown, Moon Valley, 5-11, 175 (jr)



kickers

Charles Hrabowy, Tolleson, 5-1-, 155
Tony Camino, Peoria, 6-1, 180



We Salute The Mesa City High School Players of the Year



Dick Harris, Westwood WR/DB, 1970.



Todd Shell,
Mountain View



Mickey Hatcher,
Mesa

1986..Quin Rodriguez, Dobson, PK
1985..Bob Davis, Mountain View, LB
1984..Pat Schabel, Westwood, WR
1983..Paul Kasprzyk, Mountain View, RB
1982..Keith Moody, Mountain View, T
1981..Brian Denton, Mesa, T
1980..Kevin Van Norman, Mountain View, DB

1979..Todd Shell, Mountain View, LB
1978..Keith Miller, Mountain View, WR
1977..Ron Sowers, Mountain View, T
1976..Fred Freeman, Westwood, T
1975..Darrel LeSuer, Mesa, LB
1974..Ronnie Bonner, Westwood, RB
1973..Mickey Hatcher, Mesa, WR
1972..Don Woods, Mesa, SE
1971..Greg Daly, Mesa, RB
1970..Dick Harris, Westwood, WR
1969..Danny White, Westwood, QB
1968..Benny Alvarez, Mesa, RB
1967..Ken Hatcher, Mesa, C
1966..Bob Soza, Westwood, TB
1965..Bill Dunning, Mesa, HB
1964..Richard Griffen, Westwood, LB
1963..Larry Matsumoto, Mesa, LB

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Marcos de Niza defender Brian Hooks runs down Toro QB Trevor Cavanaugh.

Go With The Percentages: Mountain View

Mountain View



Don't be surprised if the Toros repeat. Mountain View, the winningest AAA school (.831) in Arizona history, massacred Moon Valley in the state title game, and return 17 players from the school's fourth state championship club. "Since we return so many skill players, we should be an excellent team again," insists Jesse Parker, 103-21-1 at the Mesa school. The Toros have the best chance to win back-to-back crowns since Parker arrived from Phoenix Camelback in 1976, and here's seven good reasons: QB Trevor Cavanaugh(6-0,170), RB Jason Phillips(6-0,180), OT Dave Schla-

gel (6-4,215), DB Darren DeGracie (5-11,165), and linebackers Mike Phair (6-1,180), Brent Blackman (5-10,170) and Colin Redding (6-0,180). All seven started at least five games for last year's 12-2 club. Linebacker Corwin Harmon (6-2,200) and DB Wilford Cardon (5-10,175) also saw action, and the JV team finished 7-1-0. However, the Toros' opener will be a tough one, playing southern Arizona's top-ranked club, Tucson Amphitheater, in the Old Pueblo.



The Jackrabbits turned it around. After going 1-9 in Jim Rattay's first season,

Mesa finished 10-3 and was one touchdown short of the AAA title game. "We were picked to finish near the bottom of the league," says Rattay, who is just two wins short of his 100th career victory. "We were behind at halftime most of the season, but seemed to come back all year. And two of our three losses were to the same team, Moon Valley." Mesa, which has won close to 500 football games, returns six offensive starters and one defender. Top prospects include RB Eric Salter (6-0,180) and LB Jeremiah Clark (6-4,215), both college prospects. Other gifted 'Rabbits include speedy receiver Orlando McKay (5-11,180), LB Shawn Griffin (6-2,180) and OT Robert Jones (6-1,270). McKay, a real burner, ran 400 meters in 47.2 seconds last spring. The team also has a good kicker in senior Jason Beach. Since the Jackrabbits started to win again, the crowds

started to pick up, which is nothing new to Jim Rattay, whose father once played before a high school crowd of 53,356 in Ohio in 1945. But in the past 67 years, few schools in Ohio have won as many football games as Mesa High: 464.



The Chargers, top-ranked in recent years, dropped to 6-5 last fall after an 0-3 start. Somehow, Karl Kiefer's crew managed to reach the playoffs again, but fell to talented Maryvale, 42-21. Seventeen lettermen and four transfers give McClintock a promising look. Although TB Robbie Clemens (5-8,165) broke his leg last fall, he's back for his senior campaign. Signal caller Tucker Smith (6-2,190) developed into an excellent field general. Young Scott Korkosz (5-10,160) started at WR/DB as a sophomore. The

transfers include QB/DB Bart James (6-0,190) from Missouri, LB Jason Deville (6-0,200) from Wyoming, LB Jeff Pavlick (6-0,195) from Phoenix Sunnyslope, and DT Craig Brock (6-2,230), who played with the Chargers last year but moved to Florida. He's back. James was a QB/DB at Grandview High near Kansas City last fall. An all-Missouri selection as a junior, he passed for 1,421 yards and 15 touchdowns. He intercepted 12 passes from his free safety position. Other Chargers with promise include Ruben Leyvas, Scott Kazmierczak, Todd Rupp, Terry Barlup, Kent Christian, Steve Sallquist, Brian Thomas, Mark Repasky, Dave Bratton, Joe Avey, Mike Cox, Mark Mitchell, Robert Ball, Mike Wolfe and Todd Smith, a 6-2, 220-pound junior tackle.



1987 Phoenix Metro Top 20

1. Mountain View Toros
2. Moon Valley Rockets
3. Peoria Panthers
4. Mesa Jackrabbits
5. Trevor Browne Bruins
6. McClintock Chargers
7. Saguaro Sabercats
8. South Mountain Jaguars
9. Apollo Hawks
10. Buckeye Hawks
11. Agua Fria Owls
12. Maryvale Panthers
13. Westwood Warriors
14. Dobson Mustangs
15. Chaparral Firebirds
16. Chandler Wolves
17. Deer Valley Skyhawks
18. Gilbert Tigers
19. St. Mary's Knights
20. Shadow Mountain Matadors



Chandler's Tyrone Byrd (left) and teammate Charles Sippial (54) break up a pass intended for Mesa receiver Pete LeBlond in 1985 game at Mesa. Byrd is a blue-chip defender.

The Warriors finished 9-3 last fall, giving Jerry Loper a 148-70-9 career record in the business. Although 13 squad members are back, Westwood will need help in the line if they want to win nine games again. Running backs and the linebacker crop look strong. Four Warriors with promise are TB/CB Terry Thornton (6-0,185), LB/TB Sean Stapley (5-10,195), QB Mike Cooper (5-9,170), and SE Allistair Ray (6-0,170), the team's kicker. Other Warriors with experience include Bill McCain, James Hammond, David Grossklauss, Lance Crawford, Tom Farnsworth, Jim Finkler, Don Hammerle, Chris Matix, Todd O'Brian, Merlin Russell, Ron Tafoya, Rob Walker and Robby Fain. All are seniors, and Fain, a 5-11, 205-pound tackle, is the only Warrior over 200 pounds.



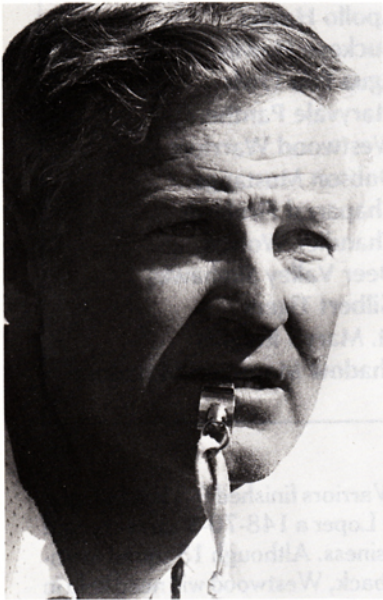
Dobson is stuck in the 6-4 ranks. The Mustangs, coached by Mike Clark, have produced three consecutive 6-4 campaigns, missing the playoffs each year by one game. And you'll never guess how many games the junior varsity won last



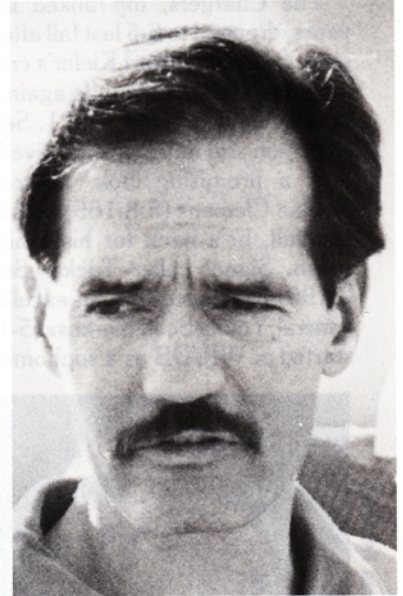
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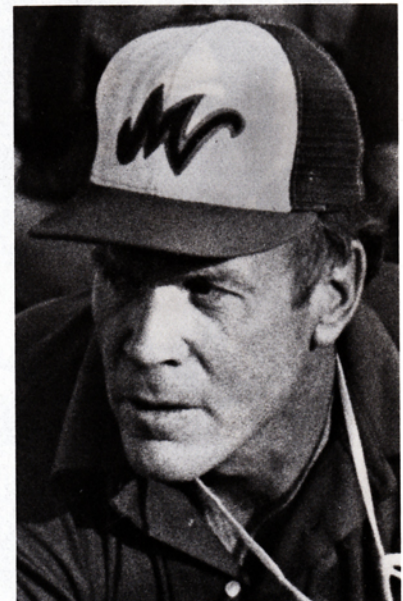


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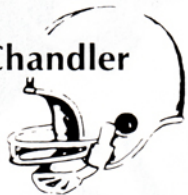
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fall. Six! Like every school in this fast growing area, Dobson will be bolstered by transfers or newcomers. Best of the lot appears to be RB/LB T.C. Wright (5-9,180), who played last year at Tempe High. Wright was an honorable mention all-state selection at linebacker in '86. Two other good prospects are DE Steve Holmes (6-3,215) and DB Josh Arnold (5-11,185), both seniors. Wide receiver Chris Shaw (6-2,175), and linebackers Mike Vezzo (5-10,210), Greg Boland (5-8,190) and Aaron Robinson (6-0,175) have good size and speed. The same goes for OT Eric Gehrig (6-0,200), TE Eric Kemp (6-1,180) and QB Derek Zellner (5-10,170). In fact, Dobson might have the quickest team in the Mesa School System.

Chandler



Chandler probably had the best 4-6 club in Arizona last fall. The Wolves had excellent team speed, but a lack of skilled linemen cost them several close games. Too many for Chandler fans. This fall, Delvin Schutes'squad returns a lot of young players, but again the line must improve for the Wolves to even think about making the playoffs. However, they do have one of the best defensive backs in the area in senior Tyrone Byrd (6-0,170), a member of the second fastest 400 meter relay in the state last spring. Byrd runs 40 yards in 4.5 seconds. Senior Cory Powell (6-2,215) was a TE/LB last fall who will be moved to running back. Depth must come from the likes of Steve Stonebraker, Jay Hawkins, Jeff Gentry, Chad Ramirez, Mike Portzer and Del Brooks. All are linemen or linebackers. The Wolves do have good speed in the junior class. But no size.

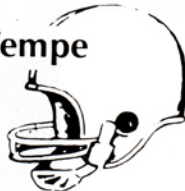
Gilbert



The Tigers, 10-3 last fall in Class AA, fell just inches short from another trip to ASU and the state title game. That third loss last year ended Gilbert's career in the AA ranks, and moves the Tigers up into the larger AAA ranks for 1987-88. Coach Rick Dunn, 46-10-1 in just five years, looks forward to the move into

AAA competition. "It will be a real challenge for our athletes," says the Tigers' boss, who returns 11 lettermen from that 10-3 club. The three best Tigers might also be the biggest: NG Lamar Whitehurst (5-10,225), OT Chris Cowart (6-1,235) and DT Ken Graves (6-2,195). Halfback Clay Morris (5-10,190) is also a good one. Other Tigers with varsity experience, or members of a near-perfect 7-1 JV team, include Eric Hansen, Mark McDowell, Mike Howell, Mike Zaletal, Mark Carrasco (the team's place kicker), Mark Chesley, Shawn Gift, Malcolm Scott, Zeke Bricker, Joe Dodgson, Troy Skipper, Jeff Bennett, Rick Rodriguez, Phil Camacho and Brandon Hellman.

Tempe



Tempe is another team which lost a lot of close games in the fourth quarter, finishing 2-7-1. Coach Glenn Alford returns 13 players from last year's varsity, with the loss of T.C. Wright, who transferred to Dobson, leaving a big hole to fill. However, the Buffaloes do return one of the better quarterbacks in the Central Division, senior David Robson (5-11,180), who doubles at DB and passed for 1,286 yards as a junior. His favorite target, senior Todd Houck (6-0,175), caught 37 passes for 603 yards and earned all-state mention. Houck also plays a mean linebacker. Dan Haver (6-1,180), Matt Billingsley (6-0,215), Scott Jordan (6-0,240) and Mike Dowie (6-0,200) are good-size linemen. Jason Kirby, Jon Ferris and Mike Mosley are three good backs.

Corona del Sol



The big news in Aztecland is the hiring of Gary Venturo, a former ASU player who has spent nine seasons coaching at three different hard-luck schools: Ray, Yuma and Nogales. He is 32-54-1 as a prep coach, but that should improve at Corona del Sol. Although the Aztecs were 1-9 under Larry Hughes last fall, he left behind three of the better players in Tempe for the new coach to work with: HB/LB Larry Marmie (5-10,195), HB/LB Ed Breunig (5-11,185), and OT/LB

Eric Zimmerman (6-3,195). All three are seniors and give CDS one of the best collection of linebackers in the Valley.

Marcos de Niza



Although the Padres beat state champ Mountain View in a thriller at midseason, they lost most of their games in November and finished 5-5-0. Coach Frank Castro, 55-68-3 in 13 years in the profession, claims to have two major college prospects in TE/DE Brian Hooks (6-4,230) and QB/DB Barry Julian (6-2,180). Hooks, who runs 40 yards in 4.9 seconds, is a real physical specimen. Other Padres

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with good size and speed include LB Dave Moser (6-0,170), OG Mike Knapp (5-10,180), LB Rowell Ashford (5-11, 180), and LB Mark Wood (6-0,185). All are seniors with 4.9 forty speed and should help improve the Marcos defense in 1987.

Trevor Browne



The beat goes on at Trevor Browne. For the ninth straight year the Bruins, coached by Bill Mitton, reached the playoffs. A loss to Mesa Westwood in the first round ended a "rebuilding season" at 9-2-0. Half the lineup returns. The Bruins started the season with a 35-12 win over Tempe McClintock, Mitton's 100th win at the Phoenix school. "We felt good going into last year," says the former BYU player. "But we thought we might be one year away. We had good speed but no size." This fall they have both. Tailback Kevin Green (5-10,175) runs 40 yards in 4.5 seconds and scored 12 touchdowns. He bench presses 260 pounds. Fullback Rick Dale is not big (5-11,175), but has speed (4.5) and strength (330 bench). Dan Davey (6-3,190) returns at WB and runs a 4.6. One of the best linebackers in Phoenix is the Bruins' Billy Bell (5-11,202), a 4.8 runner who doubles at FB and benches 330 pounds. He'll be the "main man" on the best defense in the city. The unit includes tackles David Hubbard (6-3, 195), Charlie Price (6-3,220) and Scott Oliver (6-2,190); LB Jerald Hoskins (6-0,188), guard Rick Spencer (5-11,195) and DB David Butler (6-3, 190). The big question mark? Quarterback, a position which will probably be filled by an inexperienced underclassman. If Mitton, winner of 108 games since 1972, solves that problem, the Bruins will be in the playoffs again in late November.

Saguaro



Saguaro's varsity won half the games on their schedule. But the junior varsity won all eight on their schedule. That, added with the fact that 17 varsity lettermen are back, give the Sabercats the look of a playoff contender. They haven't exper-



(Mesa Tribune)

South Mountain's Devon Robinson, only a sophomore in 1986, is brought down by Mesa's Brad Cardinale in Class AAA playoff action last fall. Robinson has two more years.

ience that since 1981. "I felt we were a better team than we played," insists Bob Keller, who enters his 14th year at the Scottsdale school. "We are excited about this year's team. We have outstanding senior leadership, an unbeaten junior varsity and some new transfers." Four of the better seniors: LB Neil Begelman (5-11,200), DE Tim Hergenrader (6-3,215), QB Tony Werstler (6-2,175), WR Mike Scialo (6-0,170) and LB Greg Johnson (5-9,185). Tackle Jim Van Horn, at 6-3, 240, is the biggest Sabercat in camp. Andy Davis, Phil Carter, Chris Kopp, Cody Nelson, Jeff Nelson, Mike Caponetto, Mike Sullivan, Brian Smith, Bart Mosley, Jason Axtell, Dana Kautz, Chris Whitmer, Tony Hofer and Chris Whikersham are familiar faces.

South Mountain



Bill Stovall, in his first varsity season at South Mountain after six years at Eloy and three in Nogales, guided the Rebels (oops Jaguars) through a near-perfect 9-2 campaign. In doing so, they scored more points (326) than any team in South history. They qualified for the playoffs for the first time in 10 years, but were

defeated by Mesa, 24-6. However, only five starters and eight lettermen return, so South will be thin in numbers and inexperienced. Junior Seyon Albert (6-0,190) returns at DB, along with OT Tyrone Gibson (6-2,235). Two-year starter Devon Robinson (6-1,205) returns to the backfield, where he rushed for 837 yards as a sophomore. One of the fastest backs in Phoenix, he runs 40 yards in 4.4 seconds. Defensive end Darrell Reagan (6-4,200) returns, along with all-league safety Marcus Glover (6-0,185). The Jaguars will be tested early, September 11 to be exact, at home against Trevor Browne.

Maryvale



The Panthers, one point away from a possible trip to the finals, return 14 vets from last year's 9-4 club which caught fire in the playoffs. Coach Buck Hall's squad dropped a heart-breaker to Mountain View in the AAA playoffs, but could get back in the race with senior Kevin Galbreath (6-0,178) back for another year. The gifted halfback rushed for 1,854 yards as a junior, and scored 19 touchdowns, 18 from the line of scrimmage. One of the best backs in Arizona, Gal-

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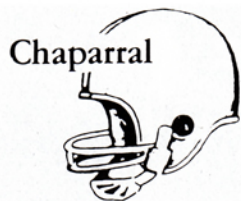
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breath runs 100 meters in 10.8 seconds and long jumps 24 feet. He's lucky to play at Maryvale, a school with a reputation of producing good linemen. This year's crew includes Lance Boyajian (5-11,205), Gene Manguso (6-1,230), Phillip Washington (6-5,200), Alvin Ramirez (5-10,220) and Frank Esquer (5-11,210). Boyajian, Manguso, Washington and DB Mickey Kindren (6-0,170) are returning starters. "Except for Kevin, we need to rebuild our backfield," says Hall. "We can't have everybody ganging up on him."

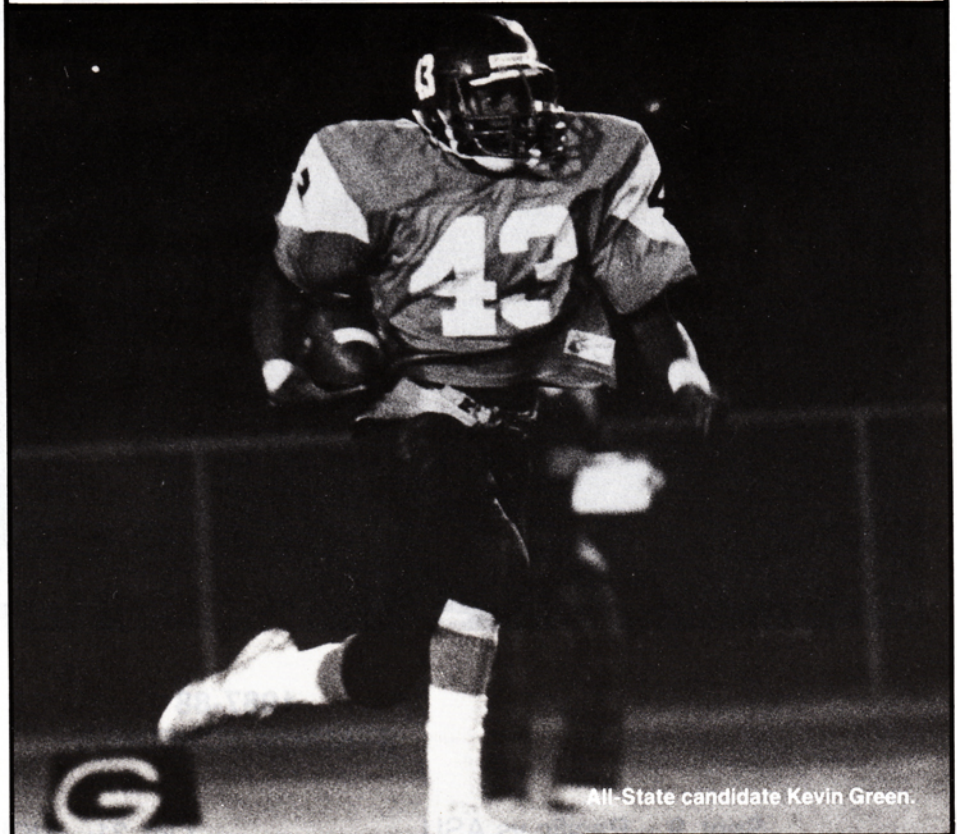


Chaparral, 5-5 last year, should be more competitive, but the league is tougher. "It was disappointing from the win-loss record, but some of our younger players looked good," insists Jim Bevell, Phoenix Metro coach of the year in 1985. A lot of players are back, 18 to be exact, with QB Darrell Bevell (6-1,175), the coach's son, top gun. As a junior Bevell passed for 1,448 yards and 17 touchdowns. He'll have a flock of receivers back, including TE Tim Killeen (5-11, 190) and WR Scott Mettham (5-11,170). Fullback James Pittenger (5-10,175) should be the Firebirds' leading ground gainer. Guard Rod DeRoma (6-0,190) is a top-notch lineman. Pat Smith, Jon Bloom, Mike Herzog and Matt Happ join DeRoma in the trenches.



Paul Hoffland, winner of 109 games in the prep ranks, returns six offensive players and six defenders from last year's 6-5 unit. Gone is QB/DB/K Nathan LaDuke, and his shoes will be tough to fill. But the Lions might get back on the playoff track if juniors like Adam Jerousek (6-2,175), or senior Shane Conlon (6-0,195) improve their passing skills in the summer. Key returning players including Kevin Cary, a three-year starter at tackle and linebacker, and defender Travis Mowry, who was near-perfect as a place kicker. Ed Jones, Corby Stanley, Shane Conlon, Sean Brown, Jason Barraza, Mark Smith, Tony Valenti, Robert Maple, Kevin Carrillo and Tim Smith are also back.

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Camelback is trying to bounce back from a 4-6 outing, and with backs like Kevin Miniefield (5-11,165) still in the lineup, they just might do it. In nine games the talented Spartan rushed for 1,066 yards, an average of 118 per game. He runs 40 yards in 4.5 seconds and is also



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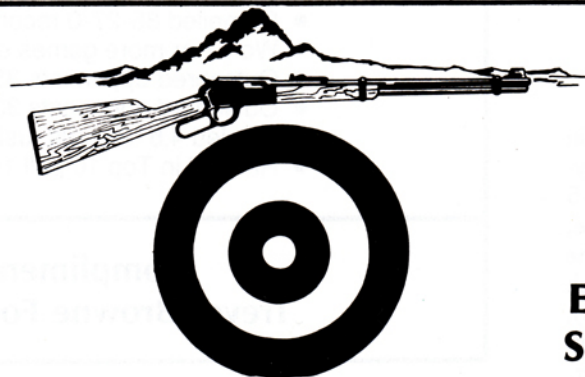


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The Dons, coached by Joe Corte, struggled through a 4-6 campaign but should be improved with better size and a strong junior class. But the best athlete on the team will be a senior, QB/DB Bill Paynter (6-1,170), one of the better players in the Scottsdale School System. Coronado should get good performances from DB Adam Talbot (5-10,165), OC Brian Corte (6-0,185) and LB Tom Walden (5-11,180). Ryan Freeburg, Mike Anaya, Andy Stacy, Matt Bitter and David Ziton saw action last year and should start every game.




Last year was a nightmare for the Bobcats, who finished 1-9 on the season. "We must fight back to traditional Central performance level," insists George Endres, who has coached for 19 years in the system. The 'Cats have two of the better linemen in the city in seniors Garrett Karstens (6-1,210) and Rex Harmon (6-2,220), and probably the smallest in the state, DE Armando Murrillo (5-4,115). But for Central to improve, these seniors must improve: Roy Brissette, Hector Espinoza, Shannon Lawson, Scott Loe, Steve Godfrey, Scott Siegreist and Mike Stetson, to name just a few. So must the team's kicking game.



The Falcons played the 1986 schedule with only four seniors. "Our juniors carried the load and we folded at times," says Thurman Simmons, winner of 150 games in 31 years. "We will be better but our

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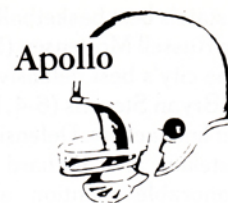
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new schedule is murder." Carl Hayden runs the wishbone and QB Larry Works (5-7,150) runs the show. The hero of the Falcons' state championship basketball team runs 40 yards in 4.5 seconds. Sometimes he looks faster. Lined up in the 'bone behind him will be FB Delbert Patton, HB Jerome Williams and HB

Toure' Marshall, all three standing 5-7 and weighing 150 pounds. The biggest Falcon is senior Angel Sandoval (6-2,235), a guard-linebacker with good strength but average speed. The quickest lineman(4.9) is OG Darrell Gora (5-9,160), a senior who doubles at line-backer.

Metro Coaches' Checklist

Winning Percentage	Current School	Overall Record	Years
.823	Jim Rattay, Mesa	98-21-3	11
.821	Rick Dunn, Gilbert	46-10-1	5
.781	Larry Fetkenhier, Cactus	43-12-1	4
.769	Karl Kiefer, McClintock	187-56-3	22
.765	Jesse Parker, Mountain View	153-47-3	18
.754	Richard Hoyt, Independence	89-29-2	12
.745	Pat Farrell, St. Mary's	79-27-2	9
.691	Tim Longsdon, Buckeye	101-45-3	31
.684	Dave Leikvold, Cortez	104-48-4	17
.681	Walt Beamis, Phoenix Christian	195-91-4	31
.678	Jerry Loper, Westwood	148-70-9	24
.655	Earl Putman, Moon Valley	143-75-5	21
.644	Tom Wheatley, Agua Fria	78-43-2	12
.642	Doug Clapp, Peoria	9-5-0	1
.625	Brad Tarrant, Western Christian	40-24-0	7
.619	Jim Bevell, Chaparral	13-8-1	2
.579	Paul Hoffland, Alhambra	109-79-4	17
.578	Buck Hall, Maryvale	44-32-1	7
.572	Thurman Simmons, Carl Hayden	150-112-8	31
.571	Mike Clark, Dobson	50-42-3	10
.567	Bernon Benson, Valley Christian	118-90-6	25
.550	Gerry LaBelle, Cactus Shadows	11-9-1	2
.544	Rudy Pacheco, Apollo	55-46-7	10
.540	Bob Keller, Saguro	74-63-1	13
.532	Delvin Schutes, Chandler	33-29-0	6
.526	Dale Peterson, NWCC	20-18-1	4
.525	Joe Corte, Coronado	63-57-2	12
.520	Glenn Alford, Tempe Union	26-24-2	5
.500	Tony Valenzuela, Deer Valley	5-5-0	2
.500	Jim Dean, Scottsdale Christian	38-38-3	8
.491	Greg Parrish, Greenway	29-30-3	6
.478	Bill Stovall, South Mountain	44-48-8	10
.455	Dick McKivergan, Shadow Mountain	46-55-2	10
.447	Frank Castro, Marcos de Niza	55-68-3	13
.426	George Endress, Phoenix Central	78-105-4	19
.421	Tim Sanford, Brophy Prep	8-11-1	2
.379	Pete Kellen Camelback	11-18-1	3
.372	Gary Venturo, Corona del Sol	32-54-1	9
.368	Jay Phillips, Arcadia	7-12-2	2
.363	Tom Goodwin, Tolleson	4-7-0	1
.300	Steve Combs, Apache Junction	3-7-0	1
.206	Doug Shaffer, Horizon	6-13-1	2
.115	Bruce Jameson, Dysart	3-23-0	3
.034	Tom Hernandez, Glendale	1-28-0	3



Last year the Hawks rode a roller coaster all the way to the AAA quarterfinals, finishing 6-6-0 on the season. Apollo's defense returns five starters, including Joe Sury, Mike Hooper and Tom Drape on the line, and Travis Bix (6-0,185) could be one of the premier linebackers in the Skyline Division. Lance Bauer's seven pass interceptions led the team in 1986, and the coaches are expecting more from him in '87. An inexperienced line and the QB position will be the big question marks on offense. Mike Hooper, a college prospect at 6-4, 260 should anchor the trenches. Tom Drape returns at TE, Ron Solares returns at WB, Travis Bix should emerge as a quality RB, and the QB slot may be filled by Jesse Finlayson, a 6-0, 185-pound senior. The kicking game should be the Hawks' strong suit as Brian Dostie returns. Last year he was 24 for 25 on PATS, booted two field goals and averaged 38.1 yards per punt.



The Knights, after three outstanding playoff teams, lost 21 starters from a 10-2 club which lost to Maryvale in the quarterfinals. With only one returning starter, senior tackle Jerry Rojas (6-1,215), St. Mary's will be forced to go with lots of juniors from a near-perfect 7-0-1 junior varsity team. "It will be the most inexperienced club we have had in my nine years as head coach," says Farrell, who opens the season September 11 in Tucson against Salpointe Catholic. "Obviously, we will have to grow up quickly to be a contender for a playoff spot." Rojas may be the only starter over 200 pounds. The biggest skill player appears to be senior QB John Bonds (6-4,195). Jason Rose and Craig Martin will handle the team's kicking. Backs Sylvester Mabry and Ben Simon, both seniors, are the fastest Knights with 4.6 forty speed. Other hopefuls include Mike Spatola, Mark Lopez and Damon Pieri, the only junior on the list. In the past three years, St. Mary's has posted won-loss records of 12-2, 14-0 and 10-2, the first two back-to-back state championship teams. They last accomplished that feat in 1967-68.

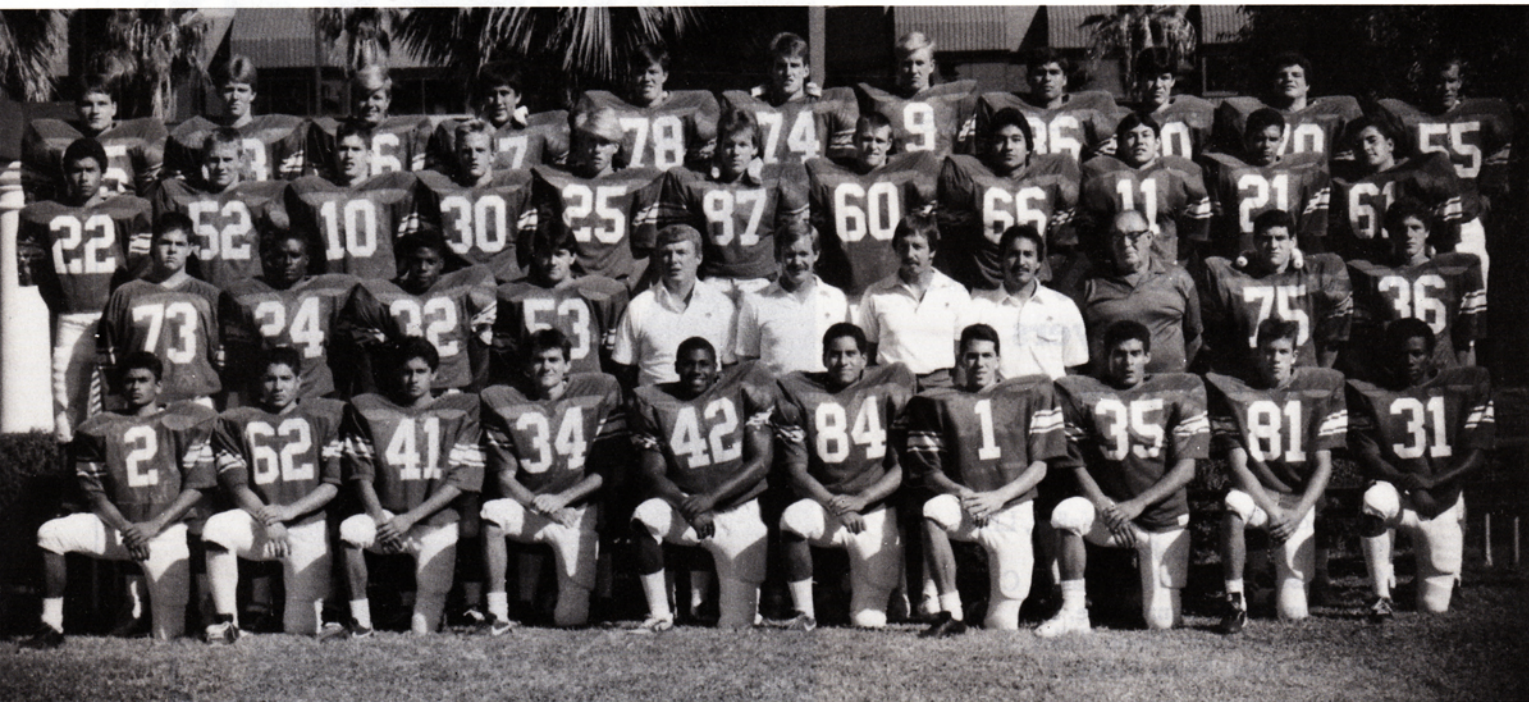


The Rockets almost won it all with one of the youngest teams ever to play in the AAA title game. Over 20 underclassmen dotted Earl Putman's roster when the Rockets lineup up against Mountain View at Sun Devil Stadium last December. The Toros from Mesa blitzed Moon Valley, ending their season at 13-1, second-best in school history. Senior John Croteau (6-0,200) will be the center of attention, and for good reason. He's a good one and

he's the first to touch the ball on every play. The second is senior QB Sam McIntyre (5-9,165), although small in size big in leadership. Other top returning players with playoff experience include LB Bob Green (5-9,205), OT Mike Hummerford (6-1,220), DE Kevin Goyer (6-1,180), DB Mark Brown (5-11,175), OT Todd Severnak (6-0,210), NG Gary Steele (5-11,220) and OG Eric Diawa (5-8,185). The Rockets have a great opener, a September 11 date at Tempe McClintock, the ASPN city TV game of the week. They have a later TV date on November 6 at Deer Valley. And, if playoff games are on TV, they could make it a habit.

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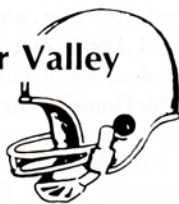
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1967..Steve Combs, Washington, T(jr)
1966..Tim Bechtel, Washington, G
1965..Bill Bodine, Glendale, B
1964..Mike Danielek, Glendale, C
1963..Sam Maya, Glendale, QB
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1961..Elby Bushong, Washington, QB
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Deer Valley



Deer Valley, one of the Valley's largest schools with 3,000-plus students, battled through a 5-5 campaign under first-year mentor Tony Valenzuela, who replaced Rick Johnson. Johnson was 20-19-3 in four years at the new school before becoming the athletic director at Peoria. The Skyhawks batted .500 with 18 underclassmen in the lineup, with gifted Matt Witkowski (5-11,165), a senior QB/DB/K, the premier player in camp. Running backs Jason Christie and Demetrius Gibbs, and linebackers Jessie Garcia and Mark McKenzie are also good.

Shadow Mountain



The Matadors lost five games last fall and still made the playoffs. If Dick McKivergan's offensive line improves, his crew could be very competitive. Mike Swayda (6-2,215), Matt Evans (6-2, 225), Marcus Boelter (5-11,200) and Kris Stanley (5-9,180) look promising. Mike Tonnemacher, David Winters, Jeff Fields, Mike McGuire, Barry McBan and Ken Bendon should start at the skill positions. Fields and junior O.A. Kinney (5-11,180) will battle for the QB slot. New-

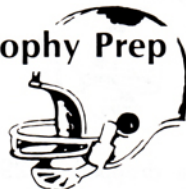
comers include Chad Pfennig, Cory Christopherson, Robert Peragine, Jeff Klopfenstein, Jon Paul Thorne, Rick Verbalaitis, Craig Kahn, Doug Walsh and promising sophomore center Joe Cajic, the biggest Matador at 6-4,250.

Thunderbird



Improvement is the name of the game at Thunderbird, where the Chiefs dropped to 1-9 in '86 after a playoff season the year before. Coach Owen DeJanovich claims he has a college prospect in 6-1, 240-pound lineman Kevin Bacchus. Another big Chief, but not as tall, is DT Jeff King (5-8,230). Other linemen to watch include Andy Taylor, Joe Kosak, Alan Moore and Willy Cluck. Senior Alex Nelson (5-11,170) will be the team's QB, while teammate John Bognanno will join him in the secondary.

Brophy Prep



The Broncos, unlike their city rival St. Mary's, have struggled in recent years on the gridiron. Brophy has won only 15 games in the last five years. Tim Sanford, in his third year at the Phoenix school, is trying to turn the tables with 17 letter winners from last year's 3-6-1 club. "We

struggled last year with a very inexperienced line," says Sanford, brother of St. Mary's athletic director, Jim. "The line will be more experienced this season, plus we have some fine athletes coming up from a 7-0-1 JV team." Brophy's top players include FB/LB Roger Brown (6-2,205), WB/LB Lawrence Miniefield (5-11,200), WR Rich Wellbrock (5-11,170) and DB Doug Granger (5-9,140). Wellbrock and Granger are the fastest Broncos in camp with 4.7 forty speed.

Horizon



Horizon, like Thunderbird, won only one game in 10 last fall. Coach Doug Shaffer is looking for improvement from eight returning seniors: DE Ty Parten (6-3,195), DE Doug Hammond (5-10,175), OG Bill Newman (5-10,200), OC Mark Kerry (5-11,205), DT Brian White (5-11,200), NG Bryan Jeffries (5-8,175), QB James Seiler (5-8,165) and FB Phil Musquin (5-8,175). At least seven juniors from last year's 5-3-0 JV team should start.

Greenway



Greenway, with 19 returners and an outstanding JV unit, could return to the playoffs in 1987. Coach Gregg Parrish



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watched his young club battle through a 5-5 season, one which included a surprising 52-7 win over playoff-bound Apollo. Standout lineman Jason Fox (6-2,190), DE Robert Stephenson (6-3,195), DB Darrin Yancy (5-8,160), LB Jeff Darling (5-10,175) SE Ed Cook (6-3,190) and FB Keith Coplan were 10-game starters. Halfback Mike Salmon, QB Scott Dodd, QB Allen Aho and DB Bill Totherow should see lots of action. The frosh squad was strong last year. Twins Aaron and Ryan Adams will probably figure in the varsity this fall. Aaron is a FB/LB with 4.7 speed who scored 19 touchdowns in eight games, and rushed for 1,200 yards. Ryan is a HB/LB with 4.8 speed. Older brother Phil was an all-state selection in 1983, and another brother, Doug, was Greenway's leading scorer and rusher last year.

Tolleson



Most of Tolleson's problems during a 4-7 season were related to the late coaching change, and a general lack of team strength. Coach Tom Goodwin will still run the wishbone, and 10 starters are back to do it. "But to improve, we must get stronger and play better defense," warns Goodwin. Quarterback in the "bone" will be senior Aaron Herrera (6-0,155), with FB Daryle Donahue (6-0,180) and HB Charles Hrabowy (5-10,155) productive ground-gainers. Donahue is the younger brother of former Tolleson all-state back, Shorty Donahue. Other Wolverines with promise include OT David Olivas (5-11,195), LB Bobby

Mason (5-11,160) and DT Felimon Rodriguez (5-9,200), all seniors.

Paradise Valley



Bob Lambie has been hired as head football coach at Paradise Valley, replacing Pat Lavin, who accepted the head job at Phoenix Junior College. Lambie, a 1980 graduate of Arizona State, has been an assistant coach at Thunderbird, Central and Paradise Valley, and was receivers coach at Phoenix College last year. Lambie will have six tough Trojans to work with: DB Ernie Salazar (5-11,162), WR Donnie Yantis (5-9,185), RB Rene Carrasco (5-9,190), OG Greg Goss (5-10,210), LB Tony Pelopida (5-10,195), and all-division tackle Kaiser Hagopian (6-2,240), one of the best in the Valley.

Agua Fria



The Owls dropped a 29-23 heart-breaker to Peoria in the Class AA (now called AAA-2) title game, finishing an outstanding season with an 11-3 record. Coach Tom Wheatley, 78-43-2 during his career, has a flock of key players back and a group of Owls who know how to win. Wheatley's crew opens against AAA Marcos de Niza in Tempe on September 11, and the host school had better keep their sights on QB Lincoln Holcomb (6-

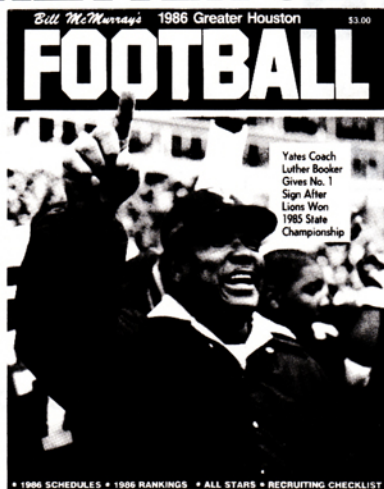
5,198), a two-year starter who passed for 1,269 yards last year, and LB/TE Steve Rogers (6-1,186), one of the school's best defenders since current ASU star Randall McDaniel. The fastest starter back from that state runnerup club is WB/CB Patrick Hall, a senior with 4.6 speed. Seniors Sean Forsythe, Dave Peterson, Pat Pappa and Van Eldridge have good size and experience, plus leadership ability. Junior Darian Mellon (6-0,175) started at DT for 11 games, and junior Alfie Alvarez (500 pound squat) played backup center for the varsity as a sophomore.

Independence



After a 2-8 season, Independence has nowhere to go but up. So the Patriots hired Richard Hoyt from Snowflake, where the Lobos won back-to-back Class A championships. If Hoyt can get the Patriots on the right track, he's within two years of his 100th career win. He's 89-29-2 in 12 years at Snowflake and Williams, where his prize recruit in 1976 was current Houston Astro outfielder Billy Hatcher. However, there are no Hatchers at Independence this fall, just a good collection of hungry players. The most impressive at preseason was LB Carlton Robinson (6-1,200) and OT Monti Leija (6-2,230). Eleven other seniors Hoyt hopes will hit the weights in the summer: Scott Kierks, Mickey Miller, Don Landrum, Willard Jones, David Emmons, Una Havea, Mike Heltzel, Max Groff, Lloyd Buelt, Matt Bolinger and Mike Barr, the biggest Patriot at 6-2, 280. The

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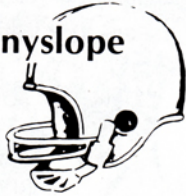
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junior varsity finished 6-3 last year, and five of those players should see considerable action on the varsity: WR Todd Branum, FB Vic Regalado (6-1,190), a 1,000-yard rusher in nine games, TE Shaw Farvid, QB Calvin Carson and DB/QB Jason Peters, the tallest Patriot at 6-6, 180-pounds.

Sunnyslope



Tim Evans takes over at Sunnyslope, where the Vikings posted a near-perfect 11-1 record, falling to Agua Fria in the playoffs. "We lost 21 of 22 starters," says Evans. "We will be very young, but should develop into a competitive team." Two of the better Vikings in camp are senior TB Adam Porter (6-0,175) and senior DB Joel Werring (6-0,170), who started on the corner as a junior. Werring runs 40 yards in 4.7 seconds, Porter 4.6. The senior class will supply the varsity with starters Jason Willet, Rex Phillips, Brad Edwards, Heath Goldman, Pete Dumas, Sean Naylor, Les Blake, George Salinas and Jason Ruffner. Edwards is the biggest at 6-6, 215. Newcomers to watch include Tim Mayfield, Josh Weiser, Bill Ignacio, Winston Anderson, Mike Fitzgerald and Tim Willis.

Cortez



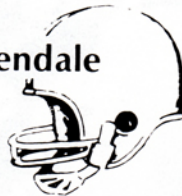
Heading for the state championship, Cortez got derailed by North Phoenix, 22-21. The loss finished the Colts' season at 9-3, giving Dave Leikvold a 104-48-4 career record. He won his 100th game in November. "We got a lot of rebuilding to do, but we'll be tough," warns the school's veteran coach. Five seniors who will carry the mail: OT Paul Sovacki (6-1,225), LB Terry Matlock (6-2,195), DB Scott Bowman (6-1,165), WR Bobby Valenzuela (5-9,145), and LB Jason Toback (6-0,185). Linebacker Matlock could develop into a college prospect, and Bowman has lots of potential.

Washington



Washington, on the upswing after a 6-4-1 campaign, has a new coach and a good nucleus of players to work with. Coach Steve Chisman likes the looks of five seniors and one junior from 14 returning lettermen from last year's playoff club: Tom Spencer, Matt Ostland, Richard Martinez, Todd Fuller, Jason Andries and Donnie Simmons, at 6-0, 165 the lone junior, and probably the team's quarterback in '87.

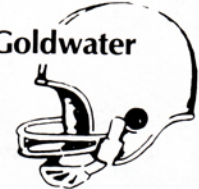
Glendale



It's been tough at Glendale, where Tom Hernandez is trying to rebuild the Cardinals' program. Only 13 squad members return from an 0-10 season, and the JV unit finished 3-5, so the road to the top is still rough. "It's been trying, but overall we had many improvements from the

previous year," insists Hernandez. "But defensively we were still weak. This will be our biggest challenge for the upcoming season." Glendale's strength will be the offensive line. Every starter is returning, including both guards, Brad Ritch (6-1,210) and Kevin Crawford (5-8,180), and both tackles, Carey Chance (6-0,190) and David O'Dell (6-1,190). The two best skill players joining them are FB/LB Rob Clary and TE Gary Rice (6-1,200). All are seniors.

Goldwater



Goldwater, 7-2 during their first year with a JV unit, hopes to survive against the likes of Agua Fria, Cortez, Sunnyslope "and all the others," according to Jim Sherman. The Bulldogs will have three of the top juniors in this region of the Valley in LB Troy Wilkinson (6-0,195), RB Robbie Arthur (5-9,160) and WR Robert Harper (5-11,170). However, like all new schools, the going will be tough for several years until the school can build a reputation.

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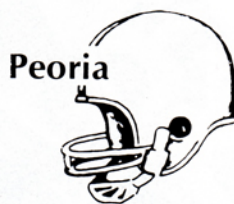
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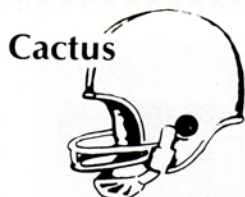
Peoria Can Play With Anybody

It's been a long time since an Arizona school has lost five games and won the state football championship. Well, almost a year, anyway. Peoria did it last fall. And they did it after an 0-3 start, in Doug Clapp's first year. The Panthers beat rival Agua Fria in 29-23 thriller at Sun Devil Stadium in Tempe for the school's first football crown. It probably won't be the last. With 25 lettermen returning, Clapp's squad is easily the Class AA (now called AAA-2) preseason favorite. In fact, with three potential major college prospects, Peoria can matchup with any of the Valley's larger AAA schools. "We can't live on our past laurels," warns Clapp, an assistant at Peoria for two years. "Our challenge will be to regain the intensity and drive which got us to the playoffs. Maybe the new league will help the team focus or change their efforts." Finding an



offensive line will be an off-season goal. Finding skill players is no problem. In senior Eric Guliford (5-9,160), the Panthers have an explosive WR who runs 40 yards in 4.5 seconds and led the state in punt and kickoff returns. He returned three each for touchdowns, including a 65-yarder against Agua Fria. Steve Good (6-5,210) returns at TE and runs a 4.8. Dusty Weiland (6-2,220) is back at MLB and runs a 4.7. QB William Babb (6-1,170), who scored the winning touchdown against Agua Fria with 43 seconds

left, is back for his senior year. The Panthers are looking for defensive backs in the off-season, but need look no farther than Ervin Cutright (6-0,175), a senior with 4.6 speed. Flanker Bailey Hall (5-9,165) is another senior with good speed. Best of the returning linemen include OG Scott Peterson (6-5,220), DT Nathan Ducharme (6-0,215), and DE David Evertsen (6-2,220). Backs Marvin Johnson (5-10,170), Tony Camino (6-1,180) and Marvin Cobo (5-11,170) are three other good skill players. Camino is the team's kicker. Two newcomers to watch are DT Kyle Schroeder (6-3,235) and LB Tim Hughes (6-3,200), both seniors. Prior to last December, Peoria had finished runnerup in the 1984 AA finals, the 1968 Class A title game, and the 1965 Class A finals.



One team Peoria beat on their trip through the playoffs was Cactus, coached by Larry Fetkenhier. The Cobras ended their campaign at 9-2 and return 11 members from that near-perfect squad. Three of the best in the league wear the Cactus uniform: DB/LB Bobby Moore (6-1,190), OG/OT Stu Kemppainen (6-2,253), and center Aaron Feldman (6-0,187). The Cobras will field just four players who tip the scales at 200-plus pounds: OG Tim Faul (6-2,208), Barry Ellis (6-2,204), OT Todd Shannon (6-3,212), and TE/ OT Scott Strong (6-6,210), one of the biggest lineman in the Valley. Senior Brett Weinberger is the team's punter with a 38.9 average as a junior. Senior Kevin Standerfer and junior Brett Powers will battle for the QB slot. Stocky DT Jeff Wilson (5-9,194) is the strongest player on the team. Running back Derick Ray, a 5-9, 178-junior, is a real game-breaker. Other players to watch include WR Jim Robinson, LB Bill Mckernan and DB Raymond Winters, to name just a few.



Although size and numbers have been a problem at Arcadia for years, the coaching staff is still very positive about the upcoming season. "Injuries killed us last year," claims Jay Phillips, entering his third campaign at the Scottsdale school. "We lost seven games last year and three were by a total of six points." Two Titans, HB/DB Kevin Ford and OG/LB Eric Sarraillon earned recognition on the Scottsdale all-city team. Five other seniors with experience are QB Greg Belsher, HB Matt Nadler, LB Derek Nabity, OT Cliff Holland and WR Clark Gilbert. Help from the JV team comes in the form of running backs Pat and Phil Touati, 6-0, 175-pound twins, and QB Kirk Anderson.



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- 1982 - Moon Valley 20, Trevor Browne, 7
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- 1984 - St. Mary's 31, Saguaro 14
- 1985 - St. Mary's 11, Apollo 7

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- 1970 - Tucson 39, Westwood 34 (B/W)
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through a 2-8 season. Cook, who coached in Detroit before moving to Pinal County, feels more comfortable with 12 months under his belt, and it should show in the won-loss column. "There is much more interest than a year ago," insists Cook. "We'll have more out this year. A lot of the kids are working harder in the off-season. Now we have to get that same interest generated in the lower levels."

The key to any high school offense is the QB slot, and that appears in good hands with senior Galen Flynn. Tight end Joe Verduco is a capable receiver, along with junior WR Bill Hatton. Seniors Darren Rhodes and Adam Florez are quality linemen. Tackle Eric Shirley and LB Robert Hoopes have two years of varsity play remaining. The future looks brighter in Cougarland.



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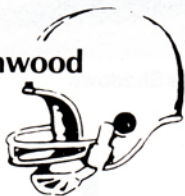
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Apache Junction



In his first year at Apache Junction, Steve Combs, a former assistant at Eloy Santa Cruz, had a rocky road to ride. The Prospectors struggled through a 3-7 campaign, and the near future looks no brighter. "We're still rebuilding," says the former Phoenix Washington all-stater. "We have good backs, but a very young line on both sides of the ball." The Prospectors have a real dandy at fullback, senior David Przybyszewski (6-1,205), who rushed for 1,014 yards, 750 in the last five games. He runs 40 yards in 4.7 seconds and will team with halfback Joe Fulton (5-10,165) to give AJ a one-two scoring punch. The best blocker up front appears to be junior guard Mike Paul (5-10,195). The defense looks solid in the secondary with seniors Bobby Trotter (5-10,165) and Curtis Neal (5-10,165).

Ironwood



Mark Matheson enters his second campaign at the new Peoria school, located at 59th and Sweetwater. The Eagles played a frosh schedule only last fall, winning five of eight games. Top player from that class appears to be quarterback Matt Franze (5-11,150), a good athlete and team leader. "We were able to keep 70 or 80 players interested in playing the first year," says Matheson. "But during the spring we still didn't know if we would be playing a varsity schedule or a junior varsity."

Buckeye



Tim Longsdon won his 100th game and almost won a state championship last fall. The Hawks' head coach, 101-45-3 in the profession, went 10-1 after falling 14-13 to Snowflake in the semifinals. With 11 letter winners back, and a suc-

cessful JV unit last year, Buckeye is looking forward to another banner year. Included in that group is six offensive starters and five defensive starters, starting with all-state DB Phillip Echeverria, also the team's QB. Guard Jason Carpenter, center Bill Lonon and end David Lofton all earned second team all-state

honors. Other seniors with playoff experience include FB Martin Brito, RB Richard Williamson, RB Ray Mendoza, DB Blaine Godfrey, OG Rory Dickman and DT Darrel Oreder. Center Bill Lonon is the biggest Hawk at 6-2, 210. He and his teammates have another tough opener on September 4, at Eloy Santa Cruz.

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Falcons Made Their Mark

Cactus Shadows



Young Cactus Shadows, which reached the Class B semifinals last fall, has already made its mark in the prep ranks. Coach Gerry LaBelle's Falcons return 20 lettermen from that 6-4-1 club, including all-state RB/DB Sean Reeder (5-9,162) and OT/DT Kevin Van Horn (6-2,245), a possible college prospect. Reeder is only a junior. The Falcons' starting offensive line, huge by Class B standards, will tip the scales at 200 pounds each, except for a 185 pound center and 190 pound tight end. Juniors Guy McAtee and Lee Toone will battle for the starting QB job. "The loser will probably start at split end," claims LaBelle, 11-9-1 in two seasons at Cactus Shadows. Halfback Steve Hall

(5-11,170), a transfer from a AAA school in Missouri, will take some of the heat off of Sean Reeder. Returning skill players include TE Rob Babiak, WB Trevor Crane and TE Link King. Tackle Rob Clifton (6-1,216), OC Jim Mennella (5-10,185), OG Nathan Miller (6-0,202) and OG Raul Valenzuela (6-0,200) are linemen with size and experience. Also keep an eye on Brendan Todd, Travis Hatch and Scott Hubler, a receiver who played varsity ball as a sophomore in Colorado.

Phoenix Christian



This will be Walt Beamis' 22nd year as Phoenix Christian's head coach. The Cougars dropped to 6-4 last fall after outstanding back-to-back teams with 9-3

and 10-2 marks. They won the 1984 Class B state championship. Beamis and his staff have two all-state prospects with NG Arvid Veidmark (6-3,220) and OG John Stair (5-11,205). Returning starters include DB Billy Glatch, QB Brian Wickersham, FB Scott Capehart, HB Christian Barton, DE James Stair, OT Bob Osorio and SE Dave Follett. All were members of the Cougars' '86 playoff team which lost to Bradshaw Mountain in the first round.

Seton Catholic



Seton Catholic, 2-6-1 in Scott Refner's first year, returns a flock of lettermen from last fall's club, including seniors Gabe Ortiz (6-4,215) and Richard Garcia (6-3,215), two of the bigger linemen

in the league. The Sentinels will also start two of the youngest players in the area, QB Tim Balthazor and DB Chris Chavez, both sophomores with 4.8 forty speed.

Queen Creek



Coach Tony Washington is trying to build a new program at Queen Creek, located south of Apache Junction. The Bulldogs went 6-1-1 playing a JV schedule, and move into the varsity ranks in '87. Two top 'Dogs are junior HB David Pasey (5-11, 176), and soph QB Mike Kirchner (5-10,180). "We've had a great improvement over our first two years," says Washington. "Slowly, our kids are starting to respond to hard work and discipline."

NWCC



Northwest Community Christian, coached by Dale Peterson, finished 9-2 last season and almost won them all. The Crusader Lion returns 16 underclassmen from that 8-man playoff team, including four players who earned some kind of Class C all-state recognition. Best of the lot appears to be senior RB/DB Brian Cross (5-6,150), and junior lineman Paul Hoyt (6-0, 195), an all-stater as a sophomore. Cross, although small in size, is big in desire, and recorded 11 QB sacks, 22 tackles for a loss, and averaged 41.6 yards per kickoff return. Brady Haire (5-10,185), the team's center, and RB/ LB Corbet Clark (5-10,160) are two of the better athletes on the team. Clark runs 40 yards in 4.6 seconds and has a 31" vertical jump. Other seniors with lots of experience include John Hoyt, Chris Wisley, Mike Neese, Danny Johnston and Kenny Littlefield. Marty Overholts (5-9,180), and lineman with 4.9 speed, is a promising sophomore to watch. NWCC is one of several Phoenix small schools which plays 8-man ball, a sport which originated in 1938.

Western Christian



The Eagles, 10-1 in 1985, dropped to 4-5 last fall but should rebound with another strong, hard-hitting club. Senior leadership will come from LB Jeff Smith (5-8,188), an all-stater as a junior, and lineman Jason Davenport (6-1,255), a quick, hard hitting player. Other top returners include HB Chad Jenner, QB Derek Wahlstrom, DL Bill Rude, OL Eric Borkowski and DL Andy Stoppe. Wahlstrom is a sophomore, Rude a junior and the rest seniors.

Scottsdale Christian



It was tough sledding for the Eagles of Scottsdale Christian, going 2-6-1 in the Class B ranks. But this fall SCHS is back in 8-man ball, where they won the state championship in 1983. Jim Dean enters his sixth season with a 29-18-2 mark at the school. Two juniors, Scott Mead (5-

11,200) and Curtis Granstrom (6-0,210), are the only returning Eagles over 200 pounds. Leadership must come from sophomore QB David Mousaw, while RB Keith Giboney and DB Sean Thomas are the only seniors with experience. Fritz Troxell, Jay Teilborg, Peter Apostol and Derek Addleman are promising juniors.

Valley Christian



Coach Bernon Benson, 118-90-6 in the prep ranks, starts a new program at Valley Christian High, with most of the athletes having never played in a high school football game. The Trojans don't have a field so all games will be played on the road. "Thirty-two players have indicated they will try out for the team," claims Benson, who also started the 8-man football program at rival Scottsdale Christian in 1977. Prior to that he coached for 20 years in Peterson and Elgin, Minnesota. Leading the team will be seniors Dennis Del Valle, Jeff Askew, Eric Holt, Mark Molenaar, Brad Vander Ley, Brad Van Gelder, Paul Jackson and Phil Black.



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Player/High School

QB..Andy Ingram, Brophy Prep, 6-4, 200	Arizona State
QB..Joe Carter, Paradise Valley, 6-4, 205	NAU
RB..D.C. Coleman, Chandler, 5-10, 180	Utah State
RB..Reggie McGill, St. Mary's, 5-9, 190	Arizona
RB..Lavon Worley, South Mountain, 5-7, 180	NAU
OL..Shaun Schulte, Chandler, 6-4, 240	UTEP
OL..Clint Dishman, Greenway, 6-2, 218	New Mexico State
WR..Rick Lopez, St. Mary's, 5-6, 140	UTEP
WR..Jeff Haugen, Marcos de Niza, 6-6, 185	Utah State
DL..Bob Olshan, Brophy Prep, 6-4, 225	New Mexico State
LB..Scott Woodford, Corona del Sol, 6-2, 220	Arizona State
LB..Tom Johnson, Greenway, 6-4, 220	New Mexico State
LB..Darren Brooks, McClintock, 6-2, 200	NAU
DB..Nathan LaDuke, Alhambra, 6-0, 186	Arizona State
DB..Kevin Scott, St. Mary's, 5-10, 170	Stanford
DB..Derek Mason, Camelback, 5-11, 180	NAU
DB..Sean Roundtree, Westwood, 5-11, 173	NAU
DB..Rhon McKinney, North, 6-0, 175	Tulsa
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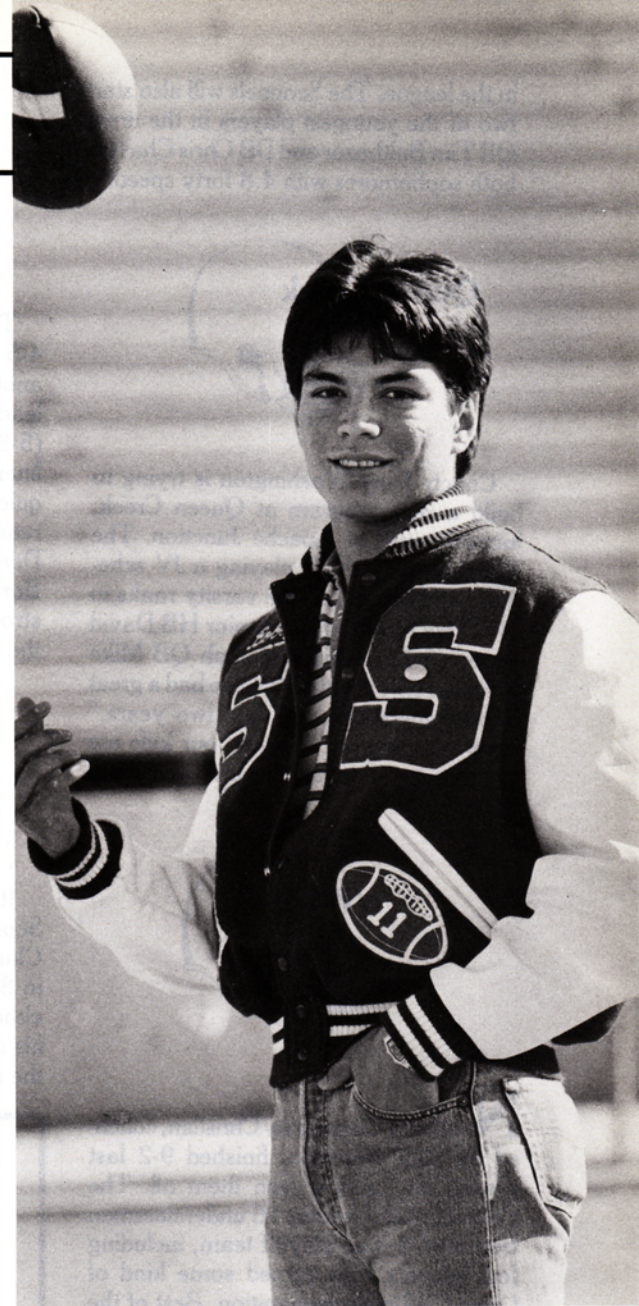
STATE LIST:

Player of the Year: Bobby Valdez, Tucson Sunnyside

Player/High School

QB..Bobby Valdez, Tucson Sunnyside, 6-2, 180	Arizona State
WR..Glenn Posey, Tucson Sunnyside, 6-3, 175	UTEP
OL..Tim Landers, Round Valley, 6-4, 230	Arizona State
OL..Corey Suttles, Prescott, 6-5, 255	Arizona State
OL..John Necas, Douglas, 6-6, 296	Southern Cal
OL..Jim Flagg, Canyon del Oro, 6-5, 255	UTEP
OL..Mike Good, Sabino, 6-4, 220	New Mexico
OL..Shawn Hungate, Tucson Santa Rita, 6-3, 260	Arizona
DL..John Fina, Tucson Salpointe, 6-4, 225	Arizona
LB..Keith Sheaffer, Tucson Sabino, 6-2, 215	Colorado State
LB..Odel Stewart, Sierra Vista Buena, 6-4, 215	Arizona
DB..Sean Cook, Tucson Santa Rita, 6-4, 216	Arizona
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The state of Georgia, famous throughout the years for its cotton, peaches and watermelons, has another commodity which has carved a niche into its old and rich traditions. Down in the southern end of the state the mention of the town of Valdosta immediately has the Georgia natives exuberating about the football legions of Valdosta High School. And, with justifiable pride, too.

The school's energetic coach, Nick Hyder, has continued the great tradition built by legendary Wright Bazemore, and continued by former head coach Charlie Greene.

Between 1941 and 1971, Bazemore won 268 games, lost 51 and tied seven. That's a .833 winning percentage in 28 years of football which also produced 14 state championships and three mythical national crowns. Greene followed him with 9-1 and 8-2 seasons, a .850 winning mark.

Under Hyder last season, Valdosta was rated the best high school football team in the United States by both the National Sports News Service, which has



(Arizona Daily Star)

In 1971, Tucson High's Kelly Langford scored this touchdown for the Badgers, the 11th-ranked high school team in the land. Who was No. 1 that year? The Wildcats from Valdosta, Georgia.

1986 Top Twenty Prep Poll

1. Valdosta, GA (15-0)
2. Montgomery Lee, AL (15-0)
3. Monroeville Gateway, PA (13-0)
4. Carmel, IN (14-0)
5. Englewood Cherry Creek, CO (14-0)
6. Encino Crespi, CA (13-1)
7. Spokane Gonzaga Prep, WA (12-0)
8. Buffalo Grove, IL (14-0)
9. Central Bucks West, PA (11-0)
10. Knoxville Austin-East, TN (15-0)
11. Los Angeles Carson, CA (11-1)
12. Ruston, LA (14-0)
13. Kansas City Rockhurst, MO (11-1)
14. Wilmington Banning, CA (11-1)
15. Omaha Creighton Prep, NB (11-1)
16. Manitowoc Lincoln, WI (12-0)
17. Hempstead, NY (10-0)
18. Lawrence, KS (12-0)
19. Little Rock Central, AR (12-1)
20. Trumbull, CT (13-0)

rated the teams since 1927, and the USA Today.

In 1986, the Wildcats swept to the state championship with a solid 15-0 record, giving Hyder a 143-24-1 slate since 1974, an .856 winning percentage. Valdosta has now won 19 Georgia football crowns, four "mythical" national crowns, and is only one of four high schools in the United States to win more than 600 high school football games.

Valdosta, population 43,000, won those 19 state crowns in 45 seasons. Its 12,000-seat Cleveland Field sells out every game. Season gate receipts total \$250,000. "Football is king here," says former player Ernest Nijem, now the town's mayor. "The only way to get a reserve seat to a game is if someone dies."

Since 1913, Valdosta is 619-129-33 on the gridiron. Only Little Rock Central, Arkansas, and Washington High in Massillon, Ohio, have won more.

Ironically, Little Rock Central won it all again in Arkansas. Nicknamed the Tig-

ers, Coach Bernie Cox's crew finished 12-1 while winning their 29th state championship since 1907. Central, national champs in 1946 and 1957, should win their 700th game in the near future. In the past half-century, the Tigers have played every prep power in the South...except Valdosta.

Other great accomplishments last fall were turned in by Cherry Creek of Englewood, Colorado, winning their third 4A crown since 1982, Kansas City Rockhurst, winners of the Missouri 5A title for the third time since 1981, and Lawrence, Kansas, recording their 29th undefeated season - a national record by a mile. Lawrence was the 1960 national champions after winning 45 games in a row.

Omaha Creighton Prep, No. 14 in the U.S.A. in 1985, finished 11-1 and won their 10th state title in Nebraska. Doylestown Central Bucks West has won 32 games in a row in Pennsylvania, while Manitowoc Lincoln has won 38-straight in Wisconsin.

PHOENIX METRO FOOTBALL RECORDS

TOUCHDOWNS (SEASON)

29..Bob Soza, Westwood, 1966
29..Anthony Parker, McClintock, 1983
26..Whizzer White, Mesa, 1946
25..Quentin Gregory, Arcadia, 1960
25..Tim Smith, St. Mary's, 1967
25..Paul Kasprzyk, Mtn. View, 1983
25..Cleveland Colter, McClintock, 1985

TOUCHDOWNS (CAREER)

63..George Greathouse, Carver/Phoenix Union, 1952-55
60..Tim Smith, St. Mary's, 1964-67
54..Anthony Parker, McClintock, 1981-83
52..Whizzer White, Mesa, 1944-46
47..Ronnie Bonner, Westwood, 1972-74
46..Lowell McDonald, Glendale, 1941-44
43..LaFayette Winrow, Carver, 1950-53
41..Cleveland Colter, McClintock, 1983-85
41..Reggie McGill, St. Mary's, 1984-86

TOUCHDOWNS (GAME)

6..Cotton Rieman, Phoenix Union, 1928
6..Art Holbrook, Glendale, 1936
6..Bill Crabtree, Agua Fria, 1952
6..Glenn Rogers, Agua Fria, 1982
6..Anthony Parker, McClintock, 1983
6..Art Greathouse, McClintock, 1984(jr)
6..Darren Woodsen, Maryvale, 1986

POINTS (SEASON)

213..Cleveland Colter, McClintock, 1985
181..Whizzer White, Mesa, 1946
174..Bob Soza, Westwood, 1966
174..Anthony Parker, McClintock, 1983
157..Tim Smith, St. Mary's, 1967
152..Paul Kasprzyk, Mtn. View, 1983
150..Quentin Gregory, Arcadia, 1960

POINTS (CAREER)

383..George Greathouse, Carver/Phoenix Union, 1952-55
376..Ronnie Bonner, Westwood, 1972-74
368..Tim Smith, St. Mary's, 1964-67
353..Whizzer White, Mesa, 1944-46
344..Anthony Parker, McClintock, 1981-83
303..Cleveland Colter, McClintock, 1983-85
289..Lowell McDonald, Glendale, 1941-44

POINTS(GAME)

36..Cotton Rieman, Phoenix Union, 1928
36..Art Holbrook, Glendale, 1936
36..Bill Crabtree, Agua Fria, 1952
36..Glenn Rogers, Agua Fria, 1982
36..Anthony Parker, McClintock, 1983
36..Art Greathouse, McClintock, 1984(jr)

RUSHING YARDS(SEASON)

1,991..Whizzer White, Mesa, 1946

1,952..Scott Shill, Corona del Sol, 1981
1,927..Bob Soza, Westwood, 1966
1,913..David Mitchell, St. Mary's, 1974(jr)
1,912..Glenn Rogers, Agua Fria, 1982
1,854..Kevin Galbreath, Maryvale, 1986(jr)
1,771..Remy Carrasco, Gilbert, 1985
1,720..Tim Smith, St. Mary's, 1967

RUSHING YARDS(CAREER)

4,551..George Greathouse, Carver/Phoenix Union, 1952-55
4,307..Whizzer White, Mesa, 1944-46
4,050..Ronnie Bonner, Westwood, 1972-74
3,828..Reggie McGill, St. Mary's, 1984-86
3,632..David Mitchell, St. Mary's, 1973-75
3,561..Scott Shill, Corona del Sol, 1978-81
3,520..Tim Smith, St. Mary's, 1964-67

RUSHING YARDS (GAME)

358..Glenn Rogers, Agua Fria, 1982
344..Brian Pringle, Sunnyslope, 1970
339..Ronnie Bonner, Westwood, 1972(so)
327..Jim McQuinn, Central, 1976
314..Vai Sikahema, Mesa, 1978
307..Chuck Bishop, Judson, 1964
306..Eric Parham, Marcos de Niza, 1981

CARRIES (GAME)

44..Forrest Valora, Trevor Browne, 1975
43..Forrest Valore, Trevor Browne, 1975
40..Craig Amack, Tempe, 1974
39..Gus Armstrong, St. Mary's, 1976
37..Steve Romero, Mesa, 1970
37..Ronnie Bonner, Westwood, 1973(jr)
37..Gus Armstrong, St. Mary's 1975
37..Larry Muckerman, Brophy Prep, 1964

AVERAGE YARDS PER CARRY

12.3..Rick Kelton, Gilbert, 1974
10.8..Jerry Lamb, Chandler, 1955(jr)
10.7..Everett Rollins, Arcadia, 1962
10.0..Earliest Nelson, South Mtn., 1963

LONGEST TOUCHDOWN RUN

99..Sammy Johnson, Mesa, 1952
99..Craig Ponczak, Gerard, 1964
99..Jerry Harper, Chaparral, 1980
99..Tom Collins, Apollo, 1985
99..Randy Carr, Central, 1986
98..Marvin Davis, Tempe, 1950
98..Jim Rawlins, Tempe, 1950
98..Danny Arredondo, Tempe, 1952

RUSHING YARDS PER GAME

181.0..Whizzer White, Mesa, 1946
173.8..Glenn Rogers, Agua Fria, 1982
162.1..Scott Shill, Corona del Sol, 1981
160.6..Bob Soza, Westwood, 1966
157.6..George Greathouse, PUHS, 1954(jr)

PASSING YARDS(SEASON)

2,539..Kent Kiefer, McClintock, 1985
2,233..Steve Belles, St. Mary's, 1984
2,170..Kent Kiefer, McClintock, 1983(so)
2,011..Cary Palmer, Mesa, 1974
1,984..Cary Palmer, Mesa, 1973(jr)
1,951..Chuck LeVinus, Cactus, 1984
1,947..Kevin Smith, Saguardo, 1978(jr)

PASSING YARDS(CAREER)

6,346..Kent Kiefer, McClintock, 1983-85(3)
4,712..Scooter Molander, CDS, 1982-84
4,596..Steve Belles, St. Mary's, 1982-84
4,007..Fred Mortensen, Tempe, 1969-71
3,995..Cary Palmer, Mesa, 1973-74(2)
3,597..Tom Baker, St. Mary's, 1969-71
3,573..Joe Carter, Paradise Valley, 1984-86

PASSING YARDS(GAME)

404..Mike Makings, Scottsdale, 1971
403..Rick Johnson, PV, 1983
385..Rick Savale, Arcadia, 1966
380..Bob Pitre, Arcadia, 1975
365..Todd Sheridan, Arcadia, 1982
351..Fred Mortensen, Tempe, 1971
351..Kerry Kersting, Alhambra, 1978

TOUCHDOWN PASSES(SEASON)

24..Chris Calcagno, Gerard, 1974
23..Greg Hubbell, Central, 1972
23..Chris Stanfield, Mesa, 1981
22..Bill Mannion, St. Mary's, 1967
22..Chris Skelly, St. Mary's, 1974

TOUCHDOWN PASSES(CAREER)

51..Kent Kiefer, McClintock, 1983-85(3)
45..Tom Baker, St. Mary's, 1969-71
40..Bill Mannion, St. Mary's, 1966-68
40..Steve Belles, St. Mary's, 1982-84
37..Chris Calcagno, Gerard, 1972-74
36..Horace Griffen, Mesa, 1936-38
36..Tom Campbell, Seton, 1967-69

TOUCHDOWN PASSES(GAME)

6..Duncan Brown, Mesa, 1924
6..Charlie Beal, Mesa, 1943
6..Gary Carpenter, North, 1968
5..Gilbert Martinez, Chandler, 1958
5..Ted Blake, Sunnyslope, 1965
5..Pete Harter, Chandler, 1965
5..Mike Makings, Scottsdale, 1971
5..Fred Mortensen, Tempe, 1971
5..Shawn Gilbert, Agua Fria, 1982
5..Scooter Molander, CDS, 1982
5..Jeff Zygmunt, Deer Valley, 1984

LONGEST TOUCHDOWN PASS

98..Ken Butler to Ralph Flores, Sunnyslope, 1960



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- 97..Al Eliserio to Al Dossie,
Phoenix Union, 1976
97..Steve Belles to Chris Buford,
St. Mary's, 1982
95..Carey Palmer to Mickey Hatcher,
Mesa, 1973

CATCHES(SEASON)

- 68..Chris Baniszewski, McClintock, 1985
66..Brant Williams, Independence, 1986
64..Scott McLouth, Gilbert, 1985
61..Bryan Snyder, Sunnyslope, 1983(jr)
60..Bill Sorcineli, Camelback, 1964
59..Travis Ligons, Cactus, 1984
58..Ed Flores, Arcadia, 1976
58..Pat Schabel, Westwood, 1984

CATCHES (CAREER)

- 119..Speedy Hart, St. Mary's, 1973-75
117..Cleveland Colter, McClintock,
1983-85
95..Travis Ligons, Cactus, 1982-84
92..Rich Groppenbacher, McClintock,
1982-84
90..Mike Bowling, Agua Fria, 1964-66

CATCHES(GAME)

- 16..Mickey Hatcher, Mesa, 1973
12..Brad Anderson, Alhambra, 1978

- 12..Adam Mesa, Gilbert, 1982
12..Pat Schabel, Westwood, 1984
12..Pat Schabel, Westwood, 1984
11..Mark Gonzales, Tempe, 1984
11..Dale Lyons, Arcadia, 1974
11..Pete Klaass, PV, 1983(jr)
11..Andy Teilborg, Sunnyslope, 1984

RECEIVING YARDS(GAME)

- 302..Pete Klaass, PV, 1983(jr)
296..Larry Bandura, Scottsdale, 1971
270..Keith Rawls, CDS, 1982
226..Larry Bandura, Scottsdale, 1971
225..Jim Palmer, Scottsdale, 1962
224..David Donahue, McClintock, 1982

RECEIVING YARDS (SEASON)

- 1,226..Mickey Hatcher, Mesa, 1973
1,090..Larry Bandura, Scottsdale, 1971
1,090..Chris Baniszewski, McClintock,
1985
1,038..Rick Molina, Tempe, 1971
1,014..Pat Schabel, Westwood, 1984
1,008..Pete Klaass, PV, 1983(jr)

RECEIVING YARDS(CAREER)

- 2,172..Speedy Hart, St. Mary's, 1973-75
1,733..Cleveland Colter, McClintock,
1983-85

- 1,585..Rich Groppenbacher, McClintock,
1982-84

- 1,488..Rick Molina, Tempe, 1970-71(2)
1,470..Travis Ligons, Cactus, 1982-84

TD CATCHES(SEASON)

- 14..Speedy Hart, St. Mary's, 1974(jr)
14..Dewey Horton, Gilbert, 1977
13..Murl Huff, Phoenix Union, 1924
13..Mike Bowling, Agua Fria, 1966
13..Rick Molina, Tempe, 1971
13..Mike Baker, Gerard, 1974
13..James Sosinski, McClintock, 1980

TD CATCHES(CAREER)

- 29..Speedy Hart, St. Mary's, 1973-75
19..Dick Harris, Tempe/Westwood,
1968-70
18..Jesus Tirado, Marcos de Niza, 1972-74
17..Rick Molina, Tempe, 1970-71

TD CATCHES(GAME)

- 4..Murl Huff, Phoenix Union, 1924
4..Cecil Crouch, Mesa, 1943
4..Jim Palmer, Scottsdale, 1962
4..Mike Bowling, Agua Fria, 1966
4..Dan White, West, 1967
4..Dick Harris, Westwood, 1969(jr)
4..Jesus Tirado, Marcos de Niza, 1974

AVERAGE YARDS PER CATCH

- 37.7..Tom White, Saguaro, 1975
35.9..Pete Weidner, Tempe, 1984
28.3..Randall McDaniel, Agua Fria, 1982
27.8..Robert Hailey, Trevor Browne, 1983
26.1..Chris Buford, St. Mary's, 1981(jr)
25.1..Ruben Gomez, Corona del Sol, 1980

INTERCEPTIONS(SEASON)

- 15..Mike Vere, Bourgade, 1972
14..Mickey Bell, Cactus, 1979
13..Shawn Benson, Mesa, 1981
13..Scotty Malm, PC, 1986
12..Bill Diple, Arcadia, 1965(jr)
12..Scott Hutson, Mtn. View, 1983
12..Rhon McKinney, North, 1986

INTERCEPTIONS(CAREER)

- 20..Rhon McKinney, North, 1985-86(2)
19..Bill Diple, Arcadia, 1965-66(2)
17..Dick Harris, Tempe/Westwood,
1968-70(3)
17..Steve McDowell, Gilbert, 1983-85



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INTERCEPTIONS(GAME)

- 5..Dick Gwinn, Judson, 1964
- 4..Ned Newell, Mesa, 1921
- 4..Albert Guthrie, Mesa, 1921
- 4..Craig Cardon, Mesa, 1966
- 4..Pat Farrell, St. Mary's, 1969
- 4..Dick Harris, Westwood, 1970
- 4..Mark Oligschlaeger, Bourgade, 1972
- 4..Brett Baker, Saguaro, 1974
- 4..Vince Martinez, Tempe, 1981
- 4..Steve McDowell, Gilbert, 1983

LONGEST RETURN(INTER.)

- 105..T.C. Richmond, Agua Fria, 1985(jr)
- 103..John Heffton, Moon Valley, 1980
- 102..Quincy Fowler, St. Mary's, 1941
- 102..Elby Bushong, Washington, 1961
- 102..Chris Enos, Cortez, 1982
- 100..Benny Garcia, Agua Fria, 1962
- 100..Mike Smith, PC, 1962
- 100..David Given, McClintock, 1975
- 100..Scott Lubow, Shadow Mtn., 1984

FIELD GOALS (SEASON)

- 19..Mike Cortright, St. Mary's, 1985
- 13..Phil Insalaco, PC, 1984
- 11..Matt McKinney, Saguaro, 1978
- 11..Mike Cortright, St. Mary's, 1984(jr)
- 11..Quin Rodriguez, Dobson, 1985(jr)

FIELD GOALS(CAREER)

- 36..Mike Cortright, St. Mary's, 1983-85
- 26..Quin Rodriguez, Dobson, 1984-86
- 16..Phil Insalaco, PC, 1982-84
- 15..Monte Varah, Saguaro, 1973-75

FIELD GOALS(GAME)

- 4..Lawrence Bever, Phoenix Union, 1925
- 4..Phil Insalaco, PC, 1984

LONGEST FIELD GOAL

- 54..Bob Facio, Gerard, 1977
- 54..Chuck Hunzinger, Deer Valley, 1984
- 54..Quin Rodriguez, Dobson, 1986
- 52..Lee Pistor, Central, 1973
- 52..Benny Moreno, North, 1977
- 52..David Ohton, Alhambra, 1977
- 52..Scott Reutter, Moon Valley, 1984(so)

PATS (SEASON)

- 63..Frank Coen, McClintock, 1980
- 58..Barry Duncan, Moon Valley, 1982
- 52..Frank Coen, McClintock, 1979(jr)
- 52..Rich Groppenbacher, McClintock, 1983(jr)
- 52..David Smith, Maryvale, 1986

PATS(CARRER)

- 134..Rich Groppenbacher, McClintock, 1982-84
- 115..Frank Coen, McClintock, 1979-80
- 88..Tony McClure, McClintock, 1976-77
- 88..Barry Duncan, Moon Valley, 1981-82

PATS(GAME)

- 15..Danny White, Westwood, 1969
- 11..Ed Brooks, Phoenix Union, 1914

LONGEST PUNT

- 99..Walter Williams, Mesa, 1925
(national record)
- 84..John Durso, Arcadia, 1976

- 80..Justus Goebel, Phoenix Union, 1910
- 77..Doug Pasanella, Paradise Valley, 1978
- 75..Oscar Reynolds, St. Mary's, 1939
- 75..Whizzer White, Mesa, 1945(jr)
- 75..Dennis Goettl, Central, 1973

PUNTING AVERAGE

- 47.5..Jeff Skousen, Mesa, 1922
- 47.0..Jim McCann, North, 1965
- 46.0..Pat Hawbaker, St. Mary's, 1971
- 45.9..Whizzer White, Mesa, 1945(jr)
- 45.7..Kevin Rutledge, Gilbert, 1976
- 44.6..Pat Hawbaker, St. Mary's, 1971
- 44.5..Mike Springer, Mtn. View, 1982

LONGEST FUMBLE RECOVERY(TD)

- 101..Ray Elzey, Phoenix Union, 1941
- 99..Sam Houston, St. Mary's, 1944
- 98..Robert Taylor, Carver, 1950
- 98..Harry Trotter, Phoenix Union, 1975

LONGEST PUNT RETURN(TD)

- 100..Larry Royse, Tempe, 1956
- 100..Tom Ribaud, East, 1967
- 97..Ron Phifer, Camelback, 1955

LONGEST KICKOFF RETURN(TD)

- 99..Lavell Blackburn, Mesa, 1926
- 99..Alec Austin, Shadow Mountain, 1976
- 99..Major Farris, Carl Hayden, 1976
- 99..Tom Peck, McClintock, 1981
- 99..Byron Autry, CDS, 1985
- 99..Terry Thornton, Westwood, 1986

LONGEST RETURN(BLOCKED FG)

- 97..Perrell Lewis, Carl Hayden, 1967

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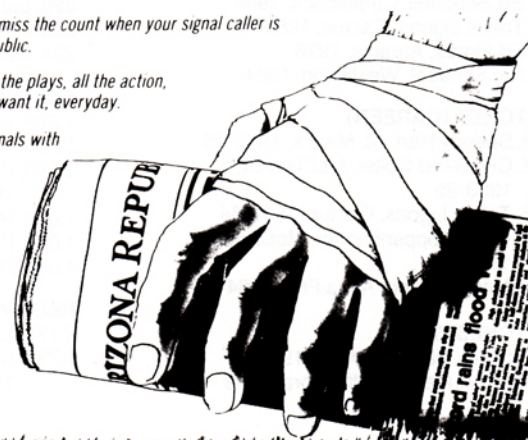


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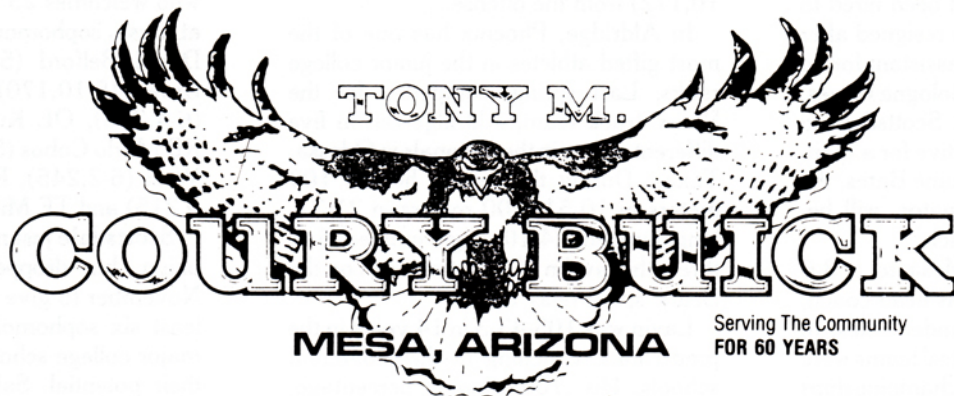
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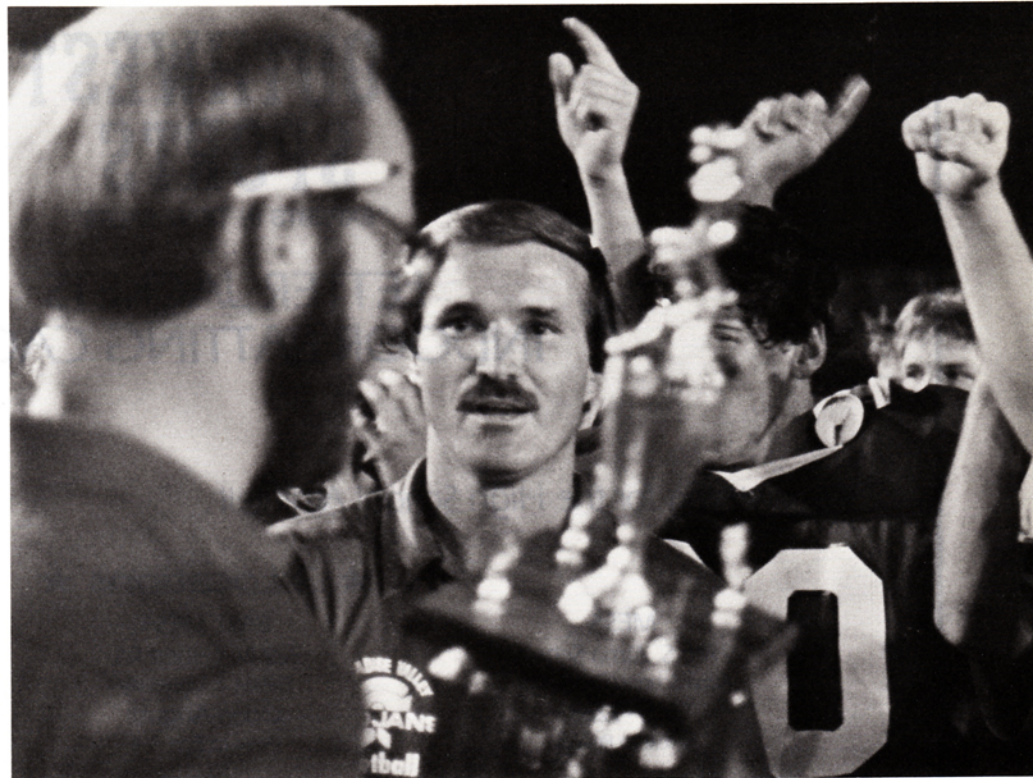
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ANSWERS: 1) Parker, now at ASU; 2) Little Rock Central, which has also won more state championships in team sports than any U.S. high school; 3) Greathouse as a junior against Chandler in 1984; 4)

Jesse Parker has won four AAA titles, three at Mountain View; 5) Phoenix Union's Montgomery Stadium; 6) Mesa's Rattay; 7) Round Valley High in Springerville.

New Kid On The Block



Pat Lavin, 105-43-3 at three different high schools in Phoenix, moves up to Phoenix College after four tough years at Paradise Valley.

There's a new kid on the block. His name is Pat Lavin. And an old one has moved down the street. His name is Kenny Stites.

There are other changes in the Valley's community college football circles, but those two are the most significant. It is Stites who takes an impressive record from Phoenix College over to Mesa to help get the Thunderbirds back on track. It is Lavin who takes an impressive high school record over to Phoenix to try and keep the Bears on top. Stites has an easier job.

Ironically, for the first time in history, all four community colleges in Phoenix have new head football coaches.

Joe Kersting, a former assistant at Glendale Community, has been hired to replace Fred Haeger, who resigned after last season to become an assistant for an Italian semipro team, the Bologna Doves. Dave Haight resigned at Scottsdale to become a sales representative for a manufacturer in New York. Shane Bates, the school's defensive coordinator, will become the interim head coach.

Dan Dunn, who led Mesa to a 3-6 record in his only season as head coach, will become an assistant under Stites. In 11 seasons at Phoenix, Stites' teams were 77-26-4, won six state championships and three Valley of the Sun Bowl titles. The Bears have been nationally ranked during nine of the past 10 years.

But the Bears' cupboard is bare and that makes Lavin's job a lot tougher. Half the roster has graduated, including 16 players who received aid to four-year schools. Rumors flew every-which-way during the summer, insisting that several returning players would follow their former mentor to Mesa.

However, if everything stays normal, and they usually don't during coaching changes, Lavin will have seven starters from last year's Sun Bowl champs on his roster: LB Joel Navarro (6-3,204), LB Steve Peitler (6-1,209), SS Tom Williams (6-0,192) and FS Darrell Warren (6-3,174) from the defense; center David Henderson (6-2,224), WR Andre Langley (5-8,165) and RB Van Aldridge (5-10,172) from the offense.

In Aldridge, Phoenix has one of the most gifted athletes in the junior college ranks. Last spring, competing for the Bears' track team, Aldridge ran in five different events in the nationals in Odessa, Texas. During the season he ran 100 meters in 10.51, 200 meters in 21.31, long jumped 24-10, high jumped 6-6, threw the javelin 201 feet and ran on the Bears' sprint relay teams.

Lavin was 105-43-3 in 14 years in the prep ranks, coaching at three different schools. His .709 winning percentage, one of the best in the Valley, was built at Phoenix St. Mary's, Agua Fria and Paradise Valley. At one time or another he took every one of those schools to the playoffs. For him, it might be a while before that happens again.

But it's a different story at **Mesa**, where Stites returns a flock of Thunderbirds from last year's roster. At press time, the six best sophomores look like tackles Preston Lambert (6-4,280), Fasse Tasse

(6-4,295), Bob Cunningham (6-1,250) and Tim Slade (6-4,250). Stacy Garner (5-9,165), a WR with 4.5 speed, and DB Shawn Seve (6-0,185) are talented skill players.

Last year **Glendale** finished 1-8, but new coach Kersting claims that will have no effect on this year's club. "We're a new program with different ideas and a different philosophy," says the Gauchos' leader, who welcomes 23 squad members. Like at Mesa, sophomores will be the key: CB David Belford (5-11,170), QB Alan Brown (5-10,170), OT Wales Hunkin (6-4,280), OL Kurt Minko (6-3,250), RB Marlo Cobos (5-10,178), OL Adam West (6-2,245), RB Steve Rosholt (6-0,215) and TE Mike Welch (6-4,230).

Scottsdale just missed a winning campaign, but dropped several games in November to give them a 4-5 finish. At least six sophomores have a shot at a major college scholarship if they play to their potential. Safety Derrick Marshal (6-2,205) has the size and speed (4.6) needed at that level. So does WR Derik Hunley (6-3,195), QB Mike Matlock (6-0,185), OT Tom Jeeves (6-4,250), OG Greg Pollard (6-2,245) and LB Scott Henderson (6-3,225).

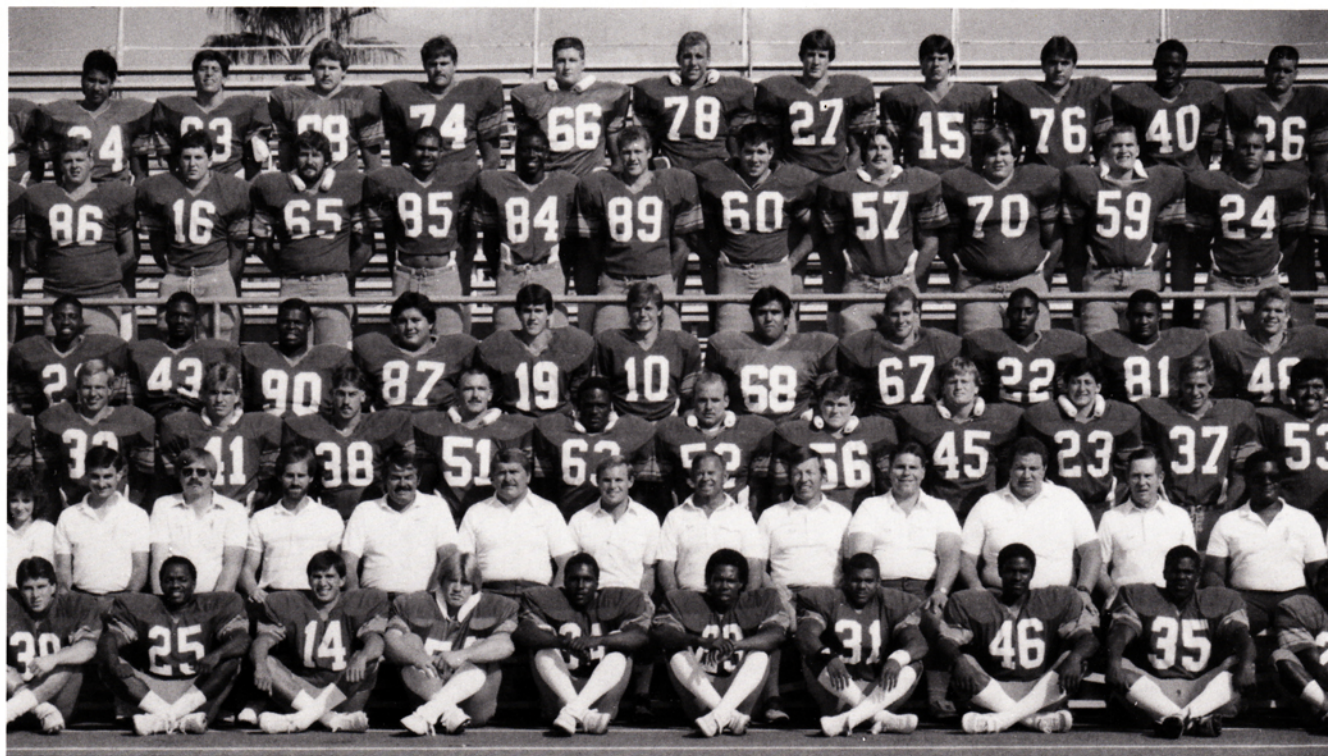


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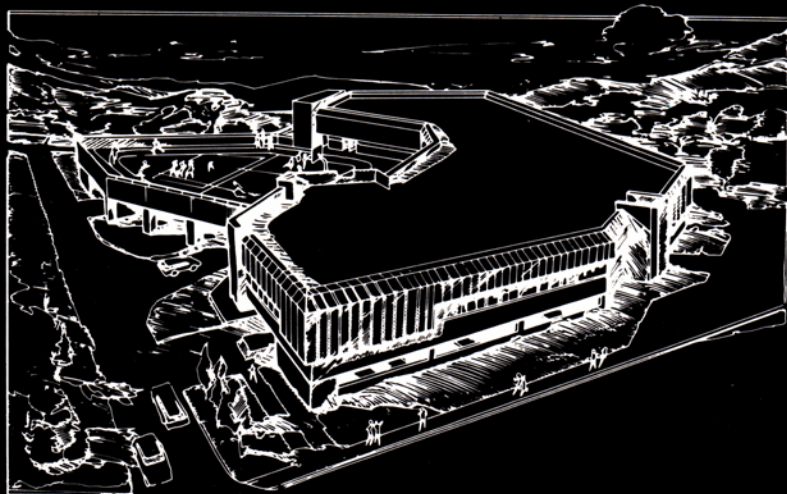
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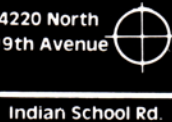
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SO YOU THINK YOU KNOW PHOENIX AREA FOOTBALL

1. This former metropolitan star led the NCAA in punt returns last season, and led the city in scoring while in high school ...

- a) Danny White, Westwood
- b) Cleveland Colter, McClintock
- c) Scott Shill, Corona del Sol
- d) Anthony Parker, McClintock

2. This high school has won 625 football games, more than any secondary school in the nation ...

- a) Massillon Washington, OH
- b) Valdosta, GA
- c) Little Rock Central, AR
- d) Phoenix Union, AZ

3. One of these four players scored six touchdowns in a high school football game ...

- a) Art Greathouse, McClintock
- b) Paul Kasprzyk, Mountain View
- c) Andy Livingston, Mesa
- d) Tim Smith, St. Mary's

4. This coach has won more state football championships than any active coach in the Phoenix region ...

- a) Edgar "Mutt" Ford, Mesa
- b) Karl Kiefer, McClintock
- c) Jesse Parker, Mountain View
- d) Pat Farrell, St. Mary's

5. What historical Arizona football stadium was torn down during the summer of 1987?

- a) Jackrabbit Stadium
- b) Montgomery Stadium
- c) Hoy Field
- d) Mustang Stadium

6. This local coach — new to the area — is within two games of his 100th career win in high school football ...

- a) Doug Clapp, Peoria
- b) Richard Hoyt, Independence
- c) Gary Venturo, Corona del Sol
- d) Jim Rattay, Mesa

7. All-Pro Mark Gastineau (photo) of the NFL New York Jets played football at what Arizona high school?

- a) Apache Junction
- b) Snowflake
- c) Round Valley
- d) St. Johns



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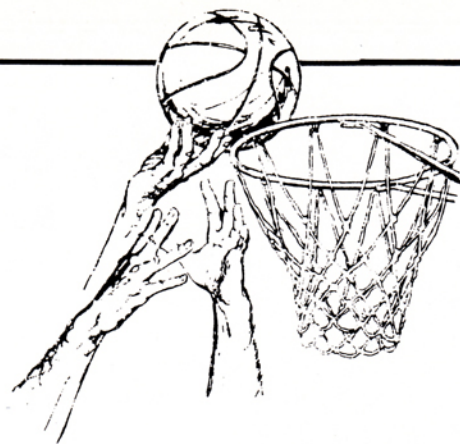
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